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Daniloff set free in deal to save summit

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

The Soviet Union yesterday released Mr Nicholas Daniloff, the American journalist accused of spying, ending a month-long superpower crisis and clearing the way for a critical pre-Christmas summit between President Reagan and Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader.

President Reagan announced Mr Daniloff's departure, without elaboration, to a wildly cheering audience at the start of a political rally in Kansas City, Missouri.

Although Administation officials would make no immediate comment yesterday, it was clear that the arrangements between the superpowers will lead to the eventual release of Mr Genaddy Zakharov, a Soviet employee accused of spying against the United States.

It was widely speculated here that the Soviet Union will later release some dissidents in return for the release of Mr Zakharov, who is awaiting trial in New York.

Senator Robert Dole, the Republican leader of the Senate, said yesterday it appeared that Mr Daniloff's release was unconditional; that the Soviet Union was admitting that the journalist was not a spy, and that it was trying to find a way out of a "colossal blunder".

Mr Larry Speakes, the White House spokesman, said a superpower summit this year was "possible".

Mr Daniloff, who was arrested on August 30 shortly before ending a five-year assignment to Moscow for *US News and World Report*, left aboard a scheduled Lufthansa flight for Frankfurt, West Germany, with his English-born wife, Ruth.

They spent the night at the US Consul General's residence and will fly to Washington aboard a scheduled Pan Am flight today.

Mr David Gergen, editor of

Mr Daniloff: Off to a hero's welcome in the US.

US News and World Report, described Mr Daniloff's freedom, with his reputation intact, as an "honourable conclusion".

He added: "The most important thing is that he is coming out alone. Only one man is moving today. He is coming out unconditionally.

"Whatever is going to happen to Mr Zakharov, whatever other arrangements have been made, ought to be left to the US Government (to announce). Based on what we know we feel the arrangements are honourable."

Agreement for his freedom was finalised in a three-hour encounter in New York on Sunday night between Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, and Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister — their fourth unannounced meeting in less than a week.

Afterwards, they shook hands publicly for the first time.

● MOSCOW: Senior Western diplomatic sources said last night that the main obstacle in the way of a 1986 superpower summit had been removed with Mr Daniloff's release (Christopher Walker writes).

Mr Daniloff, whom President Reagan had pledged personally, in a letter to Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, was not a spy, left Moscow for what is expected to be a hero's welcome return home.

The diplomatic sources claimed that the fact that Mr Shevardnadze and Mr Shultz had been able to reach a formula to solve the complex and emotive affair was a "good omen" for the chances of agreement soon on the elusive summit date.

Mr Hatton (left) and Mr Mulhearn after their walkout. (Photograph: Chris Harris)

Hatton defeat spineless, says Kinnock

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Labour Party's lengthy fight against the Militant leaders of Liverpool ended yesterday in total victory for Mr Neil Kinnock and ignominy for Mr Derek Hatton and his colleagues whose struggle against expulsion has dominated the party's affairs for months.

Mr Hatton, the deputy leader of Liverpool City Council, his right-hand man Mr Tony Mulhearn, and five other prominent Militant supporters, ducked the opportunity offered them of appealing to the Labour Party conference in Blackpool and walked out to the jeers of conference delegates and accusations of cowardice from Labour MPs.

Their expulsions, and that of an eighth who was absent through illness, were confirmed by a majority of 6,146,000 votes to 325,000 with unions who have previously backed the Militant battle, including the National Union of Mineworkers, withdrawing their support.

And in an even more significant long-term move, the conference agreed means of carrying on the struggle against the lesser lights of Militant away from the spotlight of the National Executive Committee and the annual conference.

A new elected disciplinary group called the National Constitutional Committee will radically alter the disciplinary structure of the party, hear complaints about membership of Militant and other disciplinary issues and be set up in such a way as to avoid the likelihood of challenge in the courts.

For Mr Kinnock, whose anti-Militant speech at the conference a year ago had electrified his party, the saga could not have had a better ending. He derided his foes as "spineless" for their walkout.

Neither he nor his colleagues in the Shadow Cabinet were pretending that the menace of Militant and its thousands of supporters in the Labour Party had been removed by yesterday's vote.

But its symbolic value, and the hoped-for removal of the Militant issue from the centre of Labour's affairs, was high. Mr Jack Straw, Labour MP for Blackburn and a prominent figure in the Militant fight, said: "It shows that Militant are not only bullies but cowards."

After storming from the Winter Gardens, Mr Hatton defiantly declared that he was returning to Liverpool to resume duties as deputy Labour leader. In practice, his days are numbered.

Mr Larry Whitty, Labour's

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Base rate rise of up to 2% feared

By Rodney Lord, Economics Editor

Pressure for higher interest rates to defend the pound grew in London's financial markets yesterday. A politically embarrassing rise of up to 2 percentage points was feared on the indication of dealing rates.

If bank base rates rise, mortgage rates are expected to follow.

But the Bank of England resisted the pressure by intervening in foreign exchange markets to support sterling. In money markets it indicated no change for the time being.

The Governor of the Bank of England, Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, who is in Washington at the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund, said: "We have to let the situation settle down before we react, if we react at all".

The stock market reacted to the prospect of higher interest rates by suffering its biggest fall in recent weeks. The FT 30-share index closed 25.8 down at 1212.6. Gilt-edged prices were also down by a point.

The prospect of higher interest rates has been caused by the fall in the pound. Yesterday, sterling closed more than 3 pfennigs lower against the mark at DM2.9033. Its average value against all the currencies of Britain's biggest trading partners was at its lowest ever level.

The pressure comes partly from political uncertainties as the General Election draws nearer. There is also concern over the adverse turn in Britain's trade figures.

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Hunt for solicitor ends on spire of French cathedral

By Michael McCarthy

The week-long hunt for Mr Ian Wood, the Sheffield solicitor wanted for questioning about the murder of his French mistress and her young daughter, ended last night on a tower of the cathedral in Amiens, the dead woman's home town in northern France.

Mr Wood gave himself up to French police after spending all afternoon perched on a gargoyle 200ft up one of the twin towers of the celebrated 13th-century building, threatening to throw himself off.

The former secretary of the Sheffield Law Society had spent a week evading a nationwide British police hunt and making telephone calls to newspapers, threatening suicide.

Mme Danielle Ledez, aged 38, and her three-year-old daughter, Stephanie, were found shot dead, and her five-year-old son Christopher seriously wounded, in Mr Wood's rented farmhouse, Ughill Hall, in South Yorkshire, last Monday.

A warrant for Mr Wood's arrest, alleging murder, was issued by South Yorkshire police last week, and armed guards were given to his estranged wife, Margaret, their three children, and Mme Ledez's estranged English husband, Mr Colin Lloyd, a Sheffield chemistry teacher.

Although he made a string of telephone calls, mostly to a Sheffield journalist, Mrs Brenda Tunney, there was no sign of Mr Wood until his reappearance yesterday in Amiens, where Mme Ledez's parents still live.

Mr Wood is believed to have gone up the cathedral tower with a tour party at lunch time, and to have given to the tour guide, with a tip, a letter in French stating his intention to kill himself. While the guide was telephoning police the solicitor climbed out on to the roof.

He spent the next 5½ hours threatening to jump, as a crowd of hundreds of curious townspeople gathered below. First two policemen and then a priest tried to dissuade him.

Firemen with a turntable ladder and other rescue services stood by.

Eventually the police were succesful and Mr Wood was persuaded to leave his perch and taken into custody.

Last night the British Consul was allowed in to visit him at the police station. Police declined to give any further information about the affair or about whether Mr Wood would be extradited to Britain.

● **Boy improving:** Christopher Lloyd, the boy who survived the shooting, was "much improved" in hospital yesterday, defying doctors who thought he would not survive his shotgun wounds.

Kinnock committed to a ministry for women

By a Staff Reporter

The first Cabinet of a Labour Government will have a minister for women, heading her own ministry.

Mr Neil Kinnock has given that assurance since Sunday's conference vote of 3,335,000 to 2,905,000 in favour of the proposal.

His acceptance of a women's minister with Cabinet rank was announced yesterday by Miss Jo Richardson, Labour's front bench spokesman on women's matters.

She said Mr Kinnock had told her he was happy with the conference vote. He had never been against the principle of a ministry for women but had not wanted to be committed in the face of competing claims for Cabinet posts.

"For the first time we can be absolutely sure we are going to have a ministry for women and that it will have some real power to make sure that what a Labour government does is truly reflective of women," Miss Richardson said.

Work is to start immediately on the machinery of the new department. Its claim to be located in the Cabinet Office has been staked.

The minister would sit on key Cabinet committees, have access to the Prime Minister and have a regular question time in the Commons.

The ministry would be small but high-powered, with a full parliamentary team, political advisers, and "committed, senior civil servants".

Tomorrow

Into the unknown

CHANGING CHINA

Next week's royal tour will encompass all the well-known sites — but beyond them is another country, a paradoxical world of old customs and profit-hungry village workers. Brian James continues his series with a look at the China the Queen won't see

Portfolio Gold

● **The £4,000 prize in The Times Portfolio Gold competition was shared yesterday by six readers — details, page 3.**

● **There is another £4,000 to be won today. Portfolio list, page 23; rules and how to play, information service, page 18.**

Chernobyl up

A Chernobyl nuclear power station reactor was brought into partial operation yesterday for the first time since the disaster in April, *Izvestia* said

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Chess draw

Gary Kasparov, the champion, and the challenger, Anatoly Karpov, agreed to draw game 20 of their world title match after Karpov accepted Kasparov's offer after 21 moves

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The future of the commercial vehicle industry is looking brighter despite a series of setbacks. A Special Report examines the prospects

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Green Belt closed to housebuilders

By Richard Evans, Political Correspondent

House builders are to be thwarted by Whitehall in their bid to develop Green Belt sites for homes, it was disclosed yesterday.

The tough stance follows a shake-up of ministerial responsibilities at the Department of Environment where Mr William Waldegrave has taken on responsibility for planning as well as "green" issues.

The House Builders Federation and leading developers have been campaigning for a relaxation of the rules governing where they can build new homes. In particular, they have been pressing to use Green Belt sites in the South-east, claiming that they are running out of land where they can build.

Pye, the house building group, suggested recently that 3,500,000 acres of farming land was surplus to agricultural needs and should be used for homes and industry.

But since the shuffling of ministerial responsibilities, it has been made clear that virtually all applications to encroach on new rural sites will be opposed by ministers.

Instead, Mr Waldegrave and his colleagues will press for more development in inner and outer city areas where they say there are large chunks of wasted land. Local authorities have about 115,000 acres of land which could be built on, according to Whitehall estimates.

The new emphasis on protecting the Green Belt will not only delight conservationists but also a number of Conservative backbenchers who have been increasingly vocal in their opposition to developers' expansion plans.

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, whom conservationists feared would be sympathetic to the wishes of the building industry, has been persuaded that building on Green Belt sites could have disastrous political implications.

Cash shortage delays housing debt 'hotline'

By a Staff Reporter

HOME FRONT

Plans for a nationwide emergency "hotline" to help thousands of families presently struggling with mortgage and rent arrears are being held up because of a shortage of money.

Specialist debt advisers, social workers and lawyers are planning to launch the service but require another £14,000 before they can start manning a crisis switchboard.

As reported yesterday in *The Times*, there is an urgent need for the home loans industry to give increased financial support to independent bodies which help owner-occupiers and tenants in trouble.

"The need for such a service is overwhelming," Mrs Ann Andrews, a development officer at the Birmingham Settlement Money Advice Centre and originator of the Housing Debt Hotline idea, said. "The courts are full of people being evicted because of mortgage and rent debts.

"It seems so incongruous that the property industry, which generates billions of pounds, cannot find this trifling sum to help us help the very people who have become victims of the boom the industry has created."

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FA secretary backs Luton visitors ban

By Our Sports Staff

Mr Ted Croker, secretary of the Football Association, has given his support to Luton Town's ban on visiting supporters at its Kenilworth Road ground.

In a letter to Mr John Smith, the Luton secretary, in May, after the Football League ruled that the club must provide tickets for visitors in the Littlewoods Cup, Mr Croker said: "I am totally in favour of your membership scheme."

The FA has so far officially refused to offer an opinion on the Luton scheme.

The League voted last week to expel Luton from the Littlewoods Cup after its refusal to admit Cardiff City supporters to a second round tie.

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TSB has 3 million new shareholders

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

The number of British shareholders is estimated to have increased by over a third yesterday as a little more than three million people were allocated shares in the Trustee Savings Bank.

But nearly two million applicants for TSB shares will receive nothing in the enormously oversubscribed flotation.

Applications were both balloted and heavily scaled down, according to details published yesterday. The maximum allocated to non-priority applicants was 10,000 shares, while the largest group of applicants, those wanting 400 or 600 shares, will receive 300. Allocations were more heavily scaled down at the higher end of share applications. Exactly half the 3.7 million non-priority applicants will receive shares.

A 300 share allocation means that if the 50p partly-paid shares go to a 30p premium, as many experts expect, the shareholder will be looking at a profit of £90 before dealing costs.

Scaling down on priority applications was less severe, although only those who asked for 200 or 400 shares will receive the full amount. Those who applied for the 10,000 share maximum will receive 1,000. All the 1.3 million priority applicants will receive shares.

Allocation letters and excess money will be sent to applicants on October 9, two days later than expected. Dealing begins on October 10.

The £1.5 billion issue was more than 7 times oversubscribed by five million applicants, who put up £5.6 billion for a total 11.2 billion shares.

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Ideas wanted on how to spend £1m a week

By Alan Hamilton

Mr John James enjoys the story of the Scottish pools winner who, asked by his wife what they were going to do about the begging letters, told her to keep sending them out as usual.

Mr James, whose personal fortune greatly exceeds anything ever won on a football coupon, has issued an appeal of an entirely different kind: he has asked the citizens of his native Bristol how they would like to spend the £1 million a week he intends to bestow on them.

The multi-millionaire and philanthropist has calculated that, within the next ten years, his personal assets will approach £350 million and will be generating £50 million in interest.

He would like to give most of it away to the city where his father was a docker and where he won a scholarship to the Merchant Venturers' School.

Mr James, aged 80, a disciple of the Samuel Smiles self-help philosophy, said yesterday that he was seeking suggestions as to how the equivalent of £1 million a week might best be spent.

He likes to match what people have already raised themselves, rather than throw cash with abandon in the general direction of worthy causes.

"I prefer to help the young and the old, because they are the ones least able to help themselves," Mr James told *The Times* yesterday from his home at Ascot, Berkshire, where in his 81st year he still swims a good half-mile a day in his private swimming pool — when he is not making money. Indeed, the money seems to accumulate even when he is swimming.

Mr James, discharged from the RAF in 1946 with the rank of corporal and a basic knowledge of radio sets, opened a radio shop in Bristol and sold out when the shop had grown to a nationwide chain of 300 under the trade name of Broadmead. He still plays the investment market with enthusiasm.

"I am still very good at making money, but I get far more enjoyment from giving it away," Mr James said.

He calculates that well over £1,000 million has passed through his hands in his lifetime, and of that some £20 million has already gone to good causes.

Last year he gave £280,000 to the cardiac unit of Guy's Hospital, to save its programme of heart bypass operations and another £300,000 to Harefield Hospital at Uxbridge for its heart transplant unit.

One of his biggest single donations was to the Frenchay Hospital in Bristol to enable to city to buy a scanner.

Mr James said yesterday: "I want to put all the interest on my capital into Bristol, and I want people to suggest how I spend it. If they can imagine how they would divide up £100 between various different causes, then I'll just multiply it up to a million a week."

Bristol welcomed the news yesterday. Mr Graham Robertson, leader of the Labour group on the city council, described it as "a noble gesture" and said he hoped some of the money would find its way to community groups and old peoples' clubs in the city.

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NEWS SUMMARY

Ban certain on Libyan flights

It looks certain that the Government will ban all flights of Libyan Arab Airlines into Heathrow on the grounds of national security (Michael Evans, Whitehall Correspondent, writes).

Officials at the Foreign Office, Home Office and the Ministry of Transport put forward their recommendations to ministers yesterday and it is understood they took a tough line.

During the trial of Rasmi Awad, a member of the Abu Nidal terrorist organization, at theCentral Criminal Court last week, it was disclosed that four grenades had been smuggled into Heathrow on board a Libyan Arab Airlines plane.

The decision on the ending of flights is expected to be taken within the next few days after consultation between Sir Geoffrey Howe, Foreign Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, and Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport. An immediate ban on flights will not involve any legal problems, because the state-owned airline does not have an air service agreement with Britain.

Threat to away fans

The Football Association will be urged to reintroduce an immediate away match ban on Leeds United's soccer hooligans when its executive committee meets next week.

The recommendation was made to an FA board of inquiry which met at Odsal stadium in Bradford yesterday. There was a near-disaster at the ground nine days ago when hooligans tried to topple a fish and chip van containing boiling fat on to a stand holding 7,000 fans, during the Bradford City-Leeds United game. About 13,000 spectators stampeded in terror.

Village tip to go

Parents who feared a coal waste tip could engulf their Welsh village school claimed a victory last night after keeping dozens of children away from lessons.

They launched an action campaign claiming the village was being threatened by a tragedy on the scale of the Aberfan disaster. Children aged between five and 11started boycotting the school last Wednesday.

Yesterday the Welsh Development Agency announced that the Bwllfa tip, which stands on a mountainside above Gelli in the Rhondda Valley, is to be cleared. Work is to begin immediately on a £750,000 plan to remove the coal waste tip.

Nurses' fear violence

Nurses have threatened to withdraw 24-hour community nursing services because of the increasing incidents of violence in inner cities (Jill Sherman writes).

Mrs Ainna Fawcett-Heuesy, adviser in primary health care to the Royal College of Nursing, said that nurses were particularly vulnerable working outside normal hours of duty. "We have been committed to 24-hour nursing services. But given the increase in violence some consideration has got to be given to whether that service can be developed further."

Giving evidence to Mr Norman Fowler, the Secretary of State for Social Services, on the Green Paper on primary health care, Mrs Fawcett-Henesy said that the public was no longer prepared to protect the nurse as it had done in the past. "The fact that nurses are seen as members of authority acts as a disadvantage. The image of the Angel of Mercy is gone."

'Boost' to Labour

Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk (right), the outgoing Labour MP for Knowsley North, said yesterday that his campaign to expose the machinations of Militant members in his constituency had strengthened the Labour Party (David Cross writes).

Speaking at a press conference in London to launch his book, *Hard Labour: The Political Diary of Robert Kilroy-Silk*, extracts of which were published in *The Times*, he said that that it was no good for the party to pretend that the problem of Militant infiltration did not exist.

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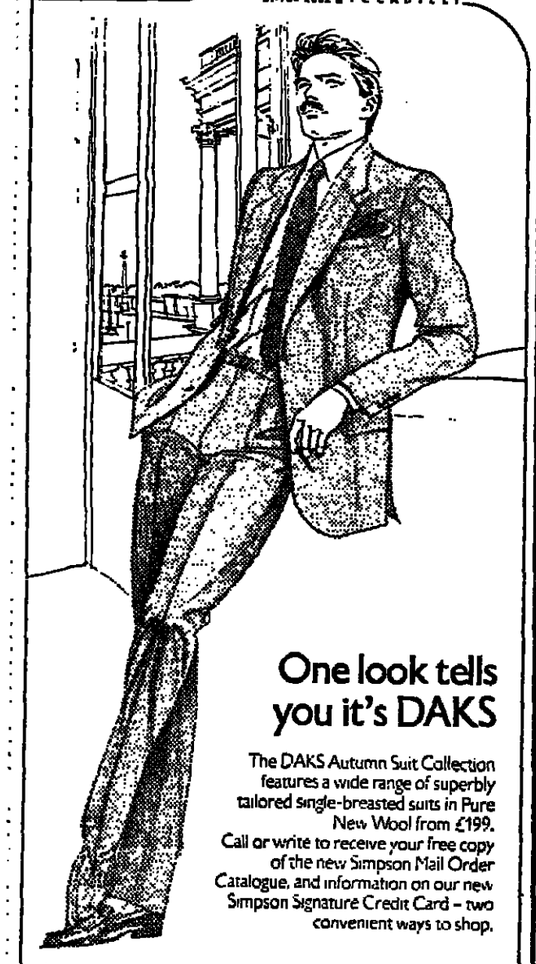

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'Unacceptable dramatic risk'

BBC postpones Falklands play

By Gavin Bell
Arts Correspondent

The BBC has postponed production of a play about the Falklands conflict because it was considered to be "an unacceptable dramatic risk" in the run-up to the next general election.

The statement issued by the corporation yesterday came after allegations by Mr Ian Curteis, the scriptwriter, that the £1 million production had been shelved after he had refused to make political changes.

Mr Curteis said that Mr Alasdair Milne, director general of the BBC, had commissioned the historical play three years ago and had complimented him on the script when it was completed last April.

However, Mr Peter Goodchild, BBC Television's head of plays, later requested him to make political alterations to the text.

"He asked me if I would consider changing certain War Cabinet scenes to give the clear impression that some decisions were taken in the light of forthcoming elections at the time. In other words, to suggest that they were taken for political gain.

"I thought it was an ugly idea, and said so. I could find no historical evidence to support it, and a member of the War Cabinet, who is not a politician, assured me that domestic political issues played no part in the military decisions."

Mr Curteis said he had also been asked to delete scenes portraying Mrs Thatcher weeping at the loss of HMS Sheffield, and writing personal letters to the bereaved.

Mr Milne then informed him in July that Mr Bill Cotton, managing director of BBC Television, and Mr Michael Grade, director of programmes, both had reservations about the play, and it had been decided not to produce it until after the next elections.

The director-general said in a letter that he personally thought much of the play, but that it would be "greatly compromised if it got caught up in pre-election frenzy".

"What it amounts to is that I was asked to falsify the historical records to project a political view," Mr Curteis said.

"I am sad beyond words that a great institution like the BBC should be reduced to cancelling meticulously researched historical plays because they do not coincide with the political views of the television establishment. There can be no other explanation for their decision."

The BBC said yesterday it had had "creative discussions" about the script, and that that kind of dialogue between producer and writer was a routine matter in any big drama production.

The decision to proceed with the play, subject to script, after the next general election, was taken "after it was concluded that characterizing an incumbent Prime Minister, and serving members of the Cabinet and other active politicians in a television drama would be a difficult enough challenge at the best of times.

"But to to attempt it during the run-up to a general election was considered to be an unnecessary dramatic risk."

● Mr Michael Meadowcroft, a Liberal MP and a member of the committee which advises the BBC director general and his board of governors, said yesterday he would raise the controversy over the play at the next meeting of the corporation's advisory committee.

"If you commission a play, not purporting to be a documentary, the only reason to reject is on the grounds of artistic standards, not on the grounds of the views expressed."

Mr John Carlisle, MP for Luton North, said: "Bias at the BBC is like autumn leaves falling. There are many of us who seriously consider there must be a big shake-up. We are heartily sick of the left-wing influence in the organization."

In recent months, Conservative MPs and party members have been angered by the BBC's coverage of the South African emergency and, most recently, by its television series, *The Monocled Mutineer*, about the mutiny by British troops at Etaples in northern France.

Dr Owen joins rates wrangle

By Nicholas Wood
Political Reporter

Dr David Owen yesterday stepped into the controversy over the future of the rating system by calling for its replacement by local income tax.

The intervention by the leader of the Social Democratic Party came with the Government poised to begin the first stage of scrapping domestic rates and fulfilling a promise first given by Mrs Thatcher 12 years ago.

In the Queen's Speech on November 12, it will announce its intention to bring in a new Bill replacing domestic rates with a poll tax of about £200 per head for people over the age of 18 living in Scotland.

Consultations on similar proposals for England and Wales outlined in a Green Paper, *Paying for Local Government*, come to a close at the end of October. Ministers will then have to decide whether to follow the Scottish lead.

Dr Owen said rates are unfair because they hit those households on modest incomes relatively harder than those who are better off.

But the proposed community charge or poll tax fell into the same trap. Citing figures from the Green Paper he said that only the very poor and the affluent would gain from the change. Families on below average earnings of between £50 and £150 a week would lose.

The biggest flaw lay in the Government's plan to assume control of setting the levels of non-domestic rates. This, he said, would mean Whitehall holding the purse strings of 75 per cent of council spending.

Local income tax, generating more than 70 per cent of expenditure, overcame the drawbacks of both systems.

Speaking to the annual conference of the Rating and Valuation Association in Scarborough, Dr Owen said: "The philosophy behind introducing local income tax is to give local authorities greater independence.

"But for it to be workable there must be major changes in the way councils are elected to ensure that they are fully representative of local voters."

Dr Owen envisaged the new tax being collected by the Inland Revenue on the basis of a year-end assessment separate from PAYE and then being channelled to the relevant councils.

● The Association of Chambers of Commerce yesterday demanded a rates discount of 10 per cent in return for backing the Government's plan to replace the present rating system.

Alderman David Rowe-Ham, aged 50 (right), was elected as the next Lord Mayor of London yesterday. He will succeed Sir Allan Davis (left) on November 7 (Photograph: Leslie Lee).

Print workers in new jobs

By Tim Jones

At least half of the 4,000 Sogat '82 print union members formerly employed by News International have now got other jobs and are no longer directly involved in the dispute with the company.

Some of them have obtained full or part-time positions within the national newspaper industry but the majority, particularly clerical workers, have found employment in other fields.

These figures, conceded by the union at national level, may have a crucial bearing on whether the members vote to end the eight-month old dispute which began when 5,500 workers went on strike and were dismissed by the company.

For although Miss Brenda Dean, the union's general secretary announced last week she had recommended acceptance of the company's "best, last and final offer" she is facing a revolt from hard-line London branch officials.

Miss Dean is insisting that all her members involved in the dispute, with the exception of those who crossed picket lines, should be given a ballot paper. In a letter to the branches, she says that these must include "not only those who came out on strike and who are still on strike, but also those who since the strike commenced have taken normal or early retirement, those who have taken employment elsewhere, whether that employment is inside the trade or outside the trade or whether the employment is temporary employment or not."

But many London union activists who are campaigning strongly for the offer to be rejected claim that Miss Dean is exceeding her authority because of rule 10, clause six of the union's rule book. It states: "No member who is not working at the trade (excluding unemployed members seeking work at the trade) will be entitled to vote."

If the militants prevail, it means that many former employees of the company who have now got jobs elsewhere will be effectively prevented from taking part in the ballot. Miss Dean and her national officers would hope to counteract the activists by receiving registers of members from the branches and sending ballot papers to those entitled to vote through the post.

In any event, the offer from News International is for the moment frozen as the TUC has rejected a request from the company to conduct or monitor a new balloting process. News International made the request after stating it had "little or no confidence" in the voting system instigated by Sogat '82.

Mr Bill O'Neill, who has led News International's negotiating team during the dispute, made it clear yesterday that the company would not sit down again with Sogat '82 unless it was within the framework of the joint national council which would only come about with a satisfactory acceptance vote. The council, if formed, will be a management-union body designed to deal with various aspects of collective relationships within the company.

With the other main print union involved, the National Graphical Association, still to decide on whether to ballot, Mr O'Neill again stated the company position that any vote had to be backed by a recommendation to the members to accept.

The company has said the offer expires on October 8 although it has offered to extend the period if the TUC agreed to become involved in the running of the Sogat '82 ballot.

Since the dispute began, the company has published its four titles, *The Times*, *The Sunday Times*, *The Sun* and the *News of the World* at its new high technology plant at Wapping, east London.

Survival plan by Birkbeck

A team of academics from Birkbeck College, London, has assembled a survival package to put before Mr Kenneth Baker, the Secretary of State for Education, on Thursday when they meet him to discuss the dispute over future funding (Our Education Reporter writes).

Birkbeck is the only university college in the country which devotes itself to teaching working adults part-time in the evenings.

Earlier this year the University Grants Committee gave the college a temporary reprieve when it decided to award an additional £600,000 after originally cutting the money spent per student. Members of the college campaign committee described the money as no more than a "palliative."

Under the direction of Professor Robin Marris, an economist, Birkbeck staff have put together a paper which compares the cost-benefit record of the college with other institutions.

Birkbeck staff will be hoping to play on the Government's views of the importance of adult education and part-time teaching to persuade Mr Baker to secure a review of the grant situation.

World Chess

Fillip for Karpov in 21-move easy draw

From Raymond Keene
Chess Correspondent
Leningrad

Anatoly Karpov, the world chess challenger scored a new psychological success last night in his campaign to regain the world title he lost last year. In the 20th game, playing the black pieces, he drew easily with in 21 moves. It was apparent when Karpov played his freeing thrust, 13 c5, that the game would very soon burn out to a draw.

It was obvious, however, that the former champion was in no way perturbed but was merely treating this important game with the black pieces with the utmost caution.

Kasparov played his first 16 moves almost without thinking. He then devoted nearly an hour to the remaining five moves, but it was impossible to detect any advantage for him. It is my belief that Kasparov's intention had been to play 14 nxc5. Overlooking that black can reply 14 Bxf3 15 bxf3 qxd4.

The only consolation that Kasparov can draw from this feeble effort with the white pieces is that he has at least stemmed Karpov's recent flow of victories. With no time-outs available to either player the 21st game will now take place tomorrow. For this game Karpov will have the advantageous white pieces. If Kasparov cannot improve on his defences from games 17 and 19 his chances of retaining the title are slim.

The final shoot-out of four games, sees both players on 10 points. Kasparov must reach 12 points to hold his title. However, the first player to win six games will become world champion and both have four wins. The final phase will be covered by *The Times* commentary room at the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, London.

White	Black	White	Black
1 d4	Nf6	12 Nbd2	Rc8
2 c4	e6	13 Nb3	c5
3 g3	d5	14 dxc5	Bd5
4 Bg2	Be7	15 Rfd1	Bxb3
5 Nf3	O-O	16 Cxb3	Qc7
6 O-O	dxc4	17 a4	Qxc5
7 Qc2	a6	18 axb5	axb5
8 Qxc4	b5	19 Nd4	b4
9 Qc2	Bb7	20 e3	Rfd8
10 Bg5	Nbd7	21 Rd2	Qb6
11 Bxf6	Nxf6		

Draw agreed.

Special meeting to be held on size of classes

By Mark Dowd, Education Reporter

Representatives from teaching unions and local authority employers yesterday deferred a decision on maximum class size and non-contact time until a special residential meeting expected to be held in Birmingham between November 8 and 10.

Mr Peter Smith, deputy general secretary of the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association and chairman of the teachers' side, said after a meeting in London yesterday that teachers were happy to tackle any outstanding issues of conditions of service, but resisted attempts by employers to include other issues such as salary levels, negotiating machinery and appraisal.

These other issues would only be included at the meeting "if there are clear signals of progress between now and November".

This appears unlikely. The two working parties on salaries and appraisal set up after the deal at Coventry in July have not yet even met for preliminary discussions.

The signs after yesterday's negotiations were that employers, led by Mr John Pearman, chairman of the Burnham mangement panel, are in much more of a hurry to settle the fine print on the Coventry deal than any of the teaching unions.

Mr Pearman yesterday insisted that "the end is in sight" and dismissed weekend reports of the imminent collapse of the July package as "unfounded".

For the teachers, however, Mr Smith said that some of the issues being discussed were too delicate and sensitive to be "lashed up quickly in a West Midlands hotel".

He added: "There are some in teaching circles, and I am not necessarily one of them, who would subscribe to the view that Mr Pearman is at times a practitioner of masterly delay and panicky haste."

Members of the Burnham management panel were seeing Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education, last night to report on the outcome of the meeting.

It is also thought likely that they would take the opportunity to try and quell his fears stemming from reports of the escalating costs of funding part of any eventual deal.

Police chiefs call for increased manpower

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Hard-pressed police commanders from across the country will today call on the Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd, to think again about his manpower policy and give them more officers to meet a service "creaking at the seams" with too much work.

This comes a few months after Mr Hurd gave his agreement for London and provincial forces to increase their strength. He will face senior officers who believe the extra manpower is not enough.

This week the Home Secretary will address the annual conference of the Police Superintendents' Association in Harrogate.

Last night, on the eve of the conference, Chief Supt Leslie Stowe, the association's president said: "I shall be saying to the Home Secretary that while we expect to give value for money there is a limit to the duties which can be imposed or superimposed with the available resources."

Mr Stowe said the Home Secretary should appreciate the request for more manpower made by chief constables some time ago were assessments resulting from careful analysis and not figures plucked out of the air.

After attending the conference tomorrow Mr Stowe said the Home Secretary might say to himself: "If I'm being told by chief constables and the Police Federation and this middle management group that we are creaking at the seams perhaps I should go back and take a deeper look."

Mr Stowe said the London police had asked for more than 4,000 extra men while provincial forces had called for a total of 2,500 new officers. Scotland Yard had been given 1,200 new officers spread over four years.

Mr Stowe said: "What I am saying to the Home Secretary is the original estimates are the ones on which he should respond and if he does not the quality of service will suffer."

Mr Stowe went on: "I hope he will realize the seriousness with which we regard the situation.

When the Conservative Party conference meets next month the police service will be looking for a promise of more resources.

EEC farm conference

Ministers' day in country

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

Agriculture ministers from 10 of the 12 member states met yesterday in an unspoiled corner of England, which may well have corrected a number of misconceptions.

In the shadow the Old Man of Coniston, in the heart of the Lake District National Park, they were shown that farming in Britain does not consist solely of large intensive arable and livestock production units busily contributing still more to the grain, beef and butter mountains.

Instead they saw a landscape of hills, lakes and ancient broadleaved woodlands, of steep pastures grazed by little isolated groups of sheep and cattle.

It was, as it was intended to be, a reminder that Britain has not yet surrendered to industrialized agriculture, and that the survival of the small family farm is not exclusively a preoccupation of southern Europe.

While Mr Michael Jopling, the Minister of Agriculture, strode happily around brandishing a shepherd's crook, his guests were treated to a parade of pedigree bulls, a display of sheep dog skills, a demonstration of drystone walling and a Cumberland wrestling contest.

Mr John Gummer, the minister's deputy, said: "We think its a very good thing that our European colleagues can come here and see this sort of landscape and are reminded that some of the old country ways are still alive and healthy."

But reminders of a harsher and more violent world intruded in the shape of police officers stationed in the hills and under nearby trees.

The Ministry of Agriculture also chose the occasion to announce that radiation levels in sheep, allegedly caused by fallout from the Chernobyl explosion in the Soviet Union, were in some areas not falling as fast as had been anticipated.

Although restrictions were being lifted as from midnight last night on all sheep in areas designated as "low deposition", more than half a million animals in Cumbria, Scotland and North Wales would remain subject to controls.

"We may have to accept that controls in the more persistent of these upland areas could remain in force for some time," Mr Jopling said.

Today the ministers, in the presence of the Prince of Wales, will meet to discuss ways of reducing EEC farm surpluses.

Yesterday Herr Ignaz Kiechle, the German Agriculture Minister, said he fully supported the lead that Mr Jopling had taken, with the one proviso that there should be no accompanying cut in prices.

M. Francois Guillaume, the French Minister, said he was prepared to examine the British proposals with his colleagues but that the issue could not be dealt with in quite so blunt a fashion.

But disagreements were at least temporarily forgotten as Mr Jopling presented hand made crooks to his European colleagues and officials of the National Trust which owns the farm where the gathering took place, congratulated themselves on a little useful publicity.

More Labour voters favour public schools

The proportion of Labour voters who think that independent schools should be abolished is lower than any time since 1977, according to a survey carried out by MORI for the Independent Schools Information Service.

The poll found that 58 per cent of Labour voters supported the retention of public schools, a marginal increase on the figure for last year.

The findings make embarrassing reading for the Labour leadership.

In May, Mr Giles Radice, the party's education spokesman, disclosed that Labour is committed to removing the tax concessions and charitable status enjoyed by more than 200 schools. He also reasserted the party's aim of absorbing private schools into public ownership.

Support for independent schools among the population as a whole stands at 73 per cent, with 86 per cent of Conservative and 75 per cent of SDP/Liberal Alliance voters in favour.

MORI interviewed 1,907 adults between August 15 and 19.

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'Score card' may help mothers detect signs that lead to cot death

By Michael Horsnell

A "score card" system is to be devised by paediatricians to help mothers notice illness in their babies and reduce Britain's annual 1,500 cot deaths.

A £75,000 appeal was launched by the Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths yesterday to fund a three-year research project under Dr Colin Morley, a consultant paediatrician at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge.

The study is designed to speed up the detection of symptoms in the home and will cover 1,000 babies under six months old.

All babies admitted to Addenbrooke's as emergency cases will be followed up and compared with a control group of healthy babies to assess the importance of a range of symptoms.

A statistical analysis of the findings will result in the production of a "score card" of symptoms which a mother could then use to assess whether her baby is ill before deciding whether to call in the family doctor.

Dr Morley said: "In the first six months of life children are vulnerable to serious illness and in that time cot deaths occur. We are trying to work out which are the important signs of illness which mothers and others caring for babies should recognize. Some mothers are sometimes worried about bothering the GP. We are studying clusters of symptoms which suggest babies have a serious illness. We want to tackle possibly preventable deaths.

"A mother might feel her baby's breathing is "funny" - but if she can check against a 'score card' which questions whether the breathing is fast, makes a noise, is laboured and makes the baby pull in its chest wall then a full score means she should call the GP."

The importance of such such a system was highlighted by the 1985 Post Neo- Natal Mortality report by the Medical Care Research Unit at Sheffield University for the Department of Health.

It studied 988 deaths of children up to two years old and found that nearly 50 per cent of babies who died unexpectedly at home had symptoms during their last 48 hours. In almost a quarter of the cases the seriousness of the illness had not been recognized nor medical attention sought.

The Department of Health study found that coroners had given verdicts of infanticide for only nine of the 988 cot deaths although a further investigation suggested there might have been another 15 - less than 2.5 per cent in all.

But the report criticized parents for sometimes failing to recognize the severity of their baby's symptoms when ill and doctors for taking the wrong decisions in two out of three cases involving babies who subsequently died.

Dr Morley said: "At the moment mothers often go by their experience, intuition and knowledge of their babies to decide if it is ill and how seriously. In many cases that is perfectly adequate but not always."

In 26 per cent of children admitted to hospital during the course of their terminal illness the case conference concluded there had been either a delay in the making of a diagnosis or in initiating appropriate treatment.

Squaddies go back on parade

By Robin Young

Assorted erks, killicks and squaddies were back on parade at the Imperial War Museum yesterday to recall their days of bull and jankers. The occasion was the opening of the first exhibition devoted to National Service, the character-forming purgatory that was abolished in 1963.

The exhibition was opened by Mr John Biffen, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House of Commons, who said his stint in the Royal Engineers had stood him in good stead as training for travelling by British Rail. He lent the exhibition the shorts he wore while serving in the Middle East.

Monsignor Bruce Kent, the anti-nuclear campaigner (former 6th Tank Regiment) admitted he still had his cap badge, welded as a souvenir on a beer tankard. His discharge papers were on display too, along with Auberon Waugh's Royal Horse Guards forage cap and battledress blouse, Michael Frayn's Intelligence Corps uniform, a map drawn by Alan Sillitoe as an RAF wireless operator in Malaya, photographs of Leslie Thomas in the days when he was a virgin soldier and Nigel Lawson when the Chancellor was a naval officer.

The exhibition coincides with publication of a book about National Service by Trevor Royle called *The Best Years of Their Lives*.

Mr John Biffen shows his Army shorts to the last man called up for National Service, Richard Watson of the Royal Army Pay Corps. Monsignor Bruce Kent gets marching orders from former Grenadier Guards drill instructor, Bernard Blackton (Photographs: Peter Trievnor).

Nairne is tipped for top BBC position

By Gavin Bell
Arts Correspondent

Sir Patrick Nairne professes himself to be intrigued, but sceptical, about speculation that he may be invited to succeed the late Mr Stuart Young as BBC chairman.

The former Civil Servant, now Master of St Catherine's College, Oxford, said yesterday he had not been approached about the position, for which he considered himself "a most unlikely choice".

He declined to comment on how he would react to any offer to take up what was, "clearly an exceedingly important job".

Sir Patrick, aged 65, has an intimate knowledge of the television industry at executive level as vice-chairman of the West Midlands board of Central TV. His impeccable credentials, after he ended a long Whitehall career in 1981 as permanent secretary at the Department of Health and Social Security, are also said to be in his favour.

A shortlist of candidates is known to have been drafted since Mr Young died of cancer last month, but the Prime Minister's Office and the BBC have given no clues to its contents.

Speculation had focused on Lord King of Wartnaby, the British Airways chairman, and Lord Barnett, who was appointed BBC vice-chairman on August 1.

Mrs Thatcher is said to favour Lord King, who has transformed the commercial prospects of the state airline. However, some BBC executives are concerned that he might pay more attention to efficiency than creativity. They would prefer the Labour peer, who is committed to the corporation's independence.

Portfolio

A civil engineer, a housewife, a solicitor and a window cleaner are among the winners of yesterday's Portfolio Gold prize of £4,000.

Mr Adrian Keach, aged 43, from Kettering in Northamptonshire, who has been a regular player since the game started, said: "I always do it on the train to London, but my colleagues used to call it a waste of time. "I felt incredulous when I realized that my total matched *The Times* Portfolio dividend."

Mr Keach, who is a civil engineer, said the win would enable his family to visit his sister in Georgia in the US.

Mrs Patricia Harris, aged 54, a housewife, from Eastern Green, Coventry, said she would spend her prize money on a weekend break with her son in London.

Mr Michael Gardiner, a solicitor from Stourbridge, West Midlands, said he realized that he was a winner 30 minutes before the daily claims deadline.

The other winners were Mr Michael Howard, aged 49, a window cleaner from south London; Mrs Enid Ellis from Maidstone, Kent; and Mr Christopher Needham from Woking, Surrey.

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Mr Adrian Keach.

Solicitors worried about drugs Bill

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Law Society is to raise with the Home Office the question of solicitors' liability to prosecution under government proposals to tackle drug trafficking which start coming into force today.

The new "laundering" offence means that anyone knowingly assisting with the retention, control or investment of drug trafficking proceeds could be liable to confiscation orders.

Banks, accountants and other advisers, such as solicitors, are given statutory protection if they volunteer to the authorities suspicions about their clients' finances where these appear to be connected with drug trafficking, so that they cannot be sued for that disclosure.

The Government proposes in the Criminal Justice Bill to extend the provision to all other serious crime where large profits are reaped and the Law Society is concerned about the position of solicitors if they know or suspect a client's assets may have been derived from serious crime.

A spokesman said: "The same statutory protection for advisers as exists with drug trafficking may well apply in the Criminal Justice Bill to other offences. But that would destroy the traditional confidential nature of the solicitor-client relationship.

The Law Society is to raise several other issues with the Home Office prior to the Bill's publication. It is strongly opposed to any obligatory disclosure of the defence case to the prosecution, as recommended by the Roskill committee on fraud trials.

The Government is certain to include this provision in the Bill, along with other Roskill proposals to reform trial procedure, because it has dropped the controversial proposal to scrap jury trials for complex fraud.

Under the government proposals penalties would be imposed for failure of lawyers to disclose their case. That would lead to judges inquiring as to who is to blame for the non-disclosure, the lawyers or the client, the society says.

The society is also urging the Home Office to include another clause in the Bill: it wants assaults on police to be made triable by jury.

Remand changes opposed

Government proposals to abolish weekly remand hearings and replace them with hearings every 28 days have been opposed by the London Criminal Courts Solicitors Association (Our Legal Affairs Correspondent writes).

In its response to the legal aid scrutiny report, the association says that "because of the pressures on all involved in the criminal courts, there is a grave risk that those who are detained in custody will be overlooked unless they are brought regularly before a court".

There is no substantial evidence of abuse by defendants at the present time, it says.

If the proposal was implemented, the association says, it would be "essential" that there was a duty on the prosecution to notify any change of circumstances.

The association also criticizes the report's proposals to transfer the job of giving free legal advice from solicitors to advice workers. Many of the suggestions are "impractical or will lead to increased costs", it says.

Prostitute of 8 put in care

A girl prostitute aged eight told a woman police officer in an interview of three separate acts of picking up men in the company of other prostitutes.

The girl claimed that once she was paid £1 and then £5.

At Wolverhampton Juvenile Court yesterday Wolverhampton Social Services department sought and were granted a full care order for the child.

Her parents opposed the application.

Mr Robert Smyth, the stipediary magistrate, granting the order said: "We are quite satisfied that the development of this child has been impaired by her abnormal precociousness and overt sexuality.

Man survives bridge leap

A student aged 23 from Lanarkshire, who leapt 120 feet from the Forth road bridge on Sunday, swam ashore with only a bruised thigh.

A coastguard spokesman said: "It is absolutely amazing that he survived. Normally they hit the water and that's it - if they're not dead they go unconscious and drown."

Walkers protest over 'forbidden Britain'

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

Walkers are ready to trespass on private land to claim the right to roam across "forbidden Britain," the Ramblers' Association said yesterday.

It demanded laws allowing the public on to all open countryside including cliffs, mountains, heathland, moors and foreshore.

"We do claim rights to walk over other people's land," Mr David Rubinstein, chairman of the association, said.

He explained. "We claim that we have the right to walk in two places. One is where there is evidence of a public right of way and the other is open country where walkers would not affect the countryside."

Lord Melchett, a former Labour minister who is now vice-president of the association, said there was strong public demand for greater access to the countryside. He added that the association, which has more than 50,000 members, would hold a "day of protest" next Sunday with rallies outside patches of countryside that are barred to walkers. Some of the demonstrations might involve trespass.

The Country Landowners' Association said it was opposed to legal rights of public access to all open countryside.

Pub bomb plot denied

Thomas Maguire, the alleged IRA conspirator, claimed at the Central Criminal Court yesterday that he was "in the dark" about a plot to blow up a public house near an Army base in Blackpool.

Mr Maguire, aged 27, admitted walking around Weeton camp and having a drink at the Eagle and Child Inn—the alleged target—but told the jury he was not a member of any organization.

Mr Maguire denied using code words in correspondence seized by police.

Mr Maguire, from Donegal, was living in Milbourne Street, Blackpool, when he was arrested under the Prevention of Terrorism Act last year.

He denies conspiring between January 1982 and April 1983 with the Brighton bomber, Patrick Magee, Patrick Murray and others to cause an explosion at the public house.

The hearing continues.

BA must reveal more about cut-price fares

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

New moves to prevent British Airways from "swamping" Britain's booming holiday market are planned by the Government.

Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, has ordered the Civil Aviation Authority to work out detailed proposals which would force BA, and other scheduled carriers, to disclose far more information about the number of holidaymakers they carry on scheduled routes

Although there is no evidence that BA has been unscrupulous "effective safeguards against anti-competitive behaviour and predatory pricing are essential to the success of the Government's airline competition policy" according to the department.

The new plans come after representations from Britannia Airways that BA's size, its Heathrow-based network of routes and its ability to swap aircraft and crews with its charter subsidiary, British Airtours, gave it huge advantages. Britannia asked the CAA to vary BA's licences

Although Mr Moore has formally dismissed Britannia's appeal, he has followed it with a series of new proposals which, if implemented, will ease the airline's worries.

One of the main proposals is that "information be published to enable airlines and other interested parties to monitor one another's activities."

PC jailed for biting ear has bail refused

Richard Johnson, the policeman jailed for six months for biting off part of another officer's ear during a rugby match was refused bail by a High Court judge yesterday.

Mr Justice Garland refused bail at a private hearing, which means the constable, aged 31, must stay in jail while his lawyers seek an early appeal against the sentence.

When Judge John Rutter jailed him at Cardiff Crown Court last week he condemned the PC for a "dreadful example of football hooliganism".

The jury found he deliberately sank his teeth into the ear of PC Keith Jones, aged 40, after fighting broke out during a police derby match between Cardiff and Newport forces.

JACK DAVIS, 78, CLIMBS THE NORTH FACE OF THE EIGER.

"It wasn't a doddle, it was difficult, but a big relief to have done it on my own."

Mr Davis is a master of understatement. With arthritis in his joints, he didn't climb the 26 steps up to his flat just because they were there. He had no choice.

"Of course going down is worse in a way because you can see how far there is to fall. But at least home is at the top, so the worst is going out – not getting back."

Over one and a half million old people in Britain suffer from arthritis. Besides the pain, it takes away their mobility. As everyday obstacles – steps, keys, kerbstones – become a major challenge, friends, family, shops, the community at large, all move slowly out of reach.

"The lady at the Day Hospital told me to concentrate. What you do is hands first, grip the rail, then move your opposite foot. Then you rest. It'll never be quicker than ten minutes, but if there's one thing you learn with these creaking bones, it's patience."

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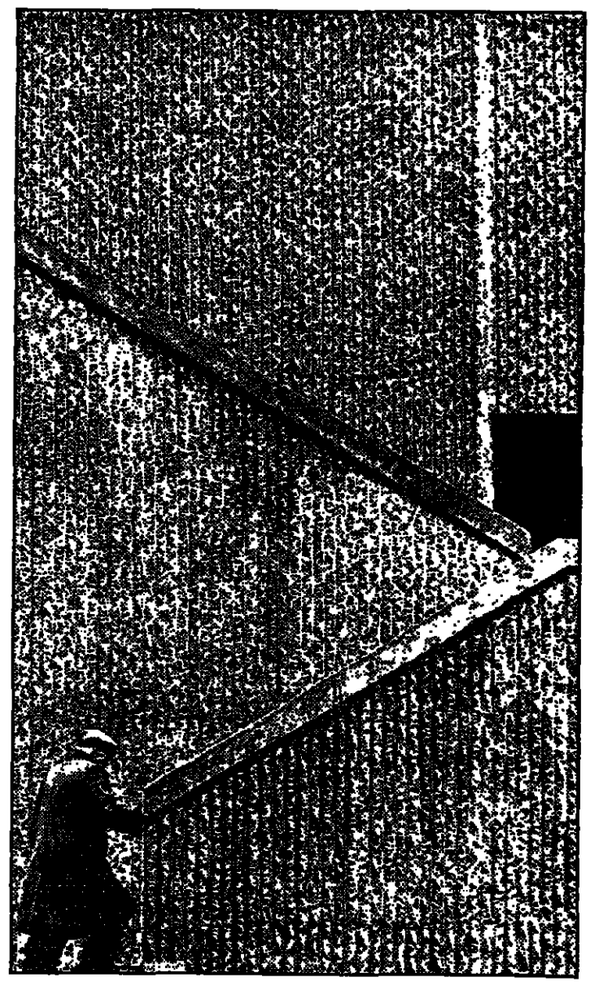

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Exchange controls promised to stop capital loss

An incoming Labour Government would implement an exchange controls policy designed not only to stop capital flowing out of Britain but to bring back much of the money exported abroad over the past seven years, Mr Roy Hattersley, deputy leader of the Labour Party and Shadow Chancellor, told the party conference at Blackpool yesterday.

He rejected calls during the debate on the economy for the reimposition of the type of statutory exchange controls which existed from 1939 to 1979, arguing that they would be much too easy to avoid.

He repeated Labour's pledge to reduce unemployment by about a million in two years but emphasized that that would not be easy. Huge investment would be needed in the infrastructure and in manufacturing industry in order to get Britain back to work.

He said that all local authorities should be preparing plans for capital works in readiness for the money that would be available when a Labour Government was elected.

Mr Rodney Bickerstaffe, general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees, said the next election would be won or lost on Labour's economic policy and a Labour government would stand or fall on its record of jobs.

He was proposing a composite resolution calling for a jobs programme aimed at cutting unemployment by one million within two years as the first step to restoring full employment.

The resolution also proposed a plan for industry based on the full and democratic partication of the workforce, together with investment through a new British Investment bank, directed bank lending and new public enterprise initiatives led by a national enterprise board and local ones.

Mr Bickerstaffe said: "If we cannot get people back to work in large numbers we will have failed..... We have got to get our economic policies correct."

There were weekly claims that the economy was on target. Everything was said to be going up. It was - for them and their kind, but not for the workers.

"For us the only things going up are poverty, unemployment and the cost of living", he said. " But I am just one of Edwina Currie's ignorant northerners. Her line is 'Let them eat statistics'."

The economy had been turned upside down by Conservative values that put company shares before people, competition before co-operation, profit before people.

The Government had invested twice as much last year overseas as in manufacturing at home. Was it right that last year more was spent on defence than on educating children; was it right the rich got billions in tax hand-outs while eight million workers survived on poverty pay?

The resolution meant there would be investment in building, services, infrastructure. It was about partnership between working people and the government to make sure Labour priorities became the people's priorities.

Mr Stephen Hepburn, Jarrow, seconding the resolution, said that on the fiftieth anniversary of the Jarrow march he was hoping to see history changed round.

Unemployment in Jarrow had reached 8,000 and the job centre had only 143 jobs on offer. Of those vacancies, 80 were through the community programme which was no better than the charitable schemes of the 1930s, he said.

The greatest tragedy was for the young unemployed. By depriving them of jobs the Government was stealing the seed corn of the future.

Mr Roy Grantham, general secretary of the Association of Professional, Executive Clerical and Computer Staff, said that the Government's appointment of Mr Graham Day to head the Rover Group was a great disservice to the motor industry.

There was no longer an engineer on the board of the group, a situation which would not apply in Japan and would be contrary to the law in Germany.

Mr Frank Wilkinson, of the General Municipal and Boilermakers' Trade Union, said that the case for involvement of the workforce in industrial management had been overwhelmingly made over the past 40 years, but freezing out the workforce from decision-making and keeping it in the dark was a necessity for the present Government.

"How can workers be expected to have pride in the company and its image when that company can be the small change in a massive takeover without their involvement?"

Mr Robin Cook, MP for Livingston and Labour Party campaign coordinator, said that at this year's conference there were resolutions on economic policy from half a dozen constituencies and only one trade union. If they wanted to be credible in putting jobs as their top priority they had to show more interest in economic policy than that.

One of the messages they had to get across was that this was a rich country. This should have been an historic period of unprecedented prosperity, yet last month Britain had a record deficit in its balance of trade.

"We are currently training one-tenth of the apprentices of West Germany and barely as many as Switzerland", he continued.

Considering the way the Government had squandered the country's oil revenue it was the Conservatives and not Labour who should be on the defensive over public expenditure.

If Britain could afford to double imports of champagne in the past three years it could afford a programme to give its unemployed work. The next Labour government was going to have to change those warped priorities.

Mr Ian Mikardo, the 78-year-old MP for Bow and Poplar, who plans to retire at the next election, said that he would use his little swan song to offer some avuncular advice to Mr Hattersley.

"This rather fancy scheme you have dreamed up for a bribe to some British investors into putting money into Great Britain, instead of abroad, just will not work. "You cannot duck out of exchange controls in that way".

Research in the past had shown that more than a third of British investment abroad had the effect of reducing employment in Great Britain.

Mr David Blunkett, of Sheffield, and Mr Neil Kinnock at the conference yesterday.

THE ECONOMY

Hattersley calls for renewal

Mr Roy Hattersley, the Shadow Chancellor, said Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, never made speeches defending the Government's economic policy.

That was not surprising. Under Mr Lawson's stewardship Britain had the highest unemployment in history, the worst balance of trade, the highest interest rates, the most bankruptcies and the lowest value of sterling.

Let there be no doubt about the central pillar of Labour's economic strategy. "Labour is the party of output, the party of investment, the party of exports and the party of production.

" Above all other things, Labour is the party of jobs. Our first task is to repeat the pledge we made last year - that a Labour Government will reduce unemployment by about one million in its first two years.

To go on cutting jobs in the second half of the next Parliament, they needed to rescue and revive manufacturing industry. After seven years of Conservatism, manufacturing industry was in a state of almost terminal collapse.

Men and women in the City had held a Dutch auction of the country's nationalized industries and sold off precious assets at millions below proper value.

The gap left after North Sea oil had gone could only be filled by investment. First, investment was needed in essential public sector capital - the infrastructure on which the whole economy depended - and then in new investment in manufacturing industry.

"We will make sure British money now invested overseas is invested back home here in Britain. We need exchange controls."

But they could not be recreated in the old form, the form that survived from 1939 to 1979. People would get around them in 10 minutes flat.

"What we need and what we are going to have is a new exchange control policy which not only keeps British money in Britain but actually brings back much of the money that has been exported into foreign economies over the last seven years."

The chairmen of the nationalized industries were preparing plans for new vital investment in the public sector which they intended to present to a new Labour government as soon as it was elected. Councils all over the country were preparing plans for work that needed to be done

There was also need for a massive training programme, a radical change in the organization and structure of ownership in the economy, a tougher mergers policy and a prices policy

Industrial revival essential

The economics debate centred on a national executive committee report entitled *Labour: the Party of Production*. The report repeated the Labour promise to reduce unemployment by a million in the first two years of office as a first step towards regaining high and stable levels of employment in industry and services.

It said that the level of economic growth needed for a healthy economy could be achieved only by a sharp revival in industrial output, manufacturing annd visible exports and by recapturing markets lost to imported goods.

Economic expansion should not be achieved at the expense of working conditions or of the environment.

"Labour stands for plannned and responsible growth, achieved with full democratic participation."

A rejuvenated manufacturing sector would have only a limited direct effect on reducing unemployment. But it would help to make it possible for Labour to take the measures needed to put Britain back to work, particularly by affording protection from balance of payments problems which expansion would otherwise create as North Sea oil output declined. It would create a parallel growth in the service sector.

TRAINING

MSC must come under 'democratic control'

The conference passed, against the wishes of the NEC, a composite motion moved by the Socialist Educational Association reaffirming the need for a 1988 education Act.

Miss Betty Boothroyd, MP, for the NEC, said that it was too restrictive in its call for new provision for education for 16-19 year-olds.

But the conference by a large majority preferred the advice of **Mrs Frances Morrell**, chairman of Inner London Education Authority, who said they could not remit, as requested by the NEC, a motion which contained so many useful elements.

Motions calling for increased investment in education and training were approved.

Mr Robert Gillespie, Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers (Tass), Craft (Patternmakers) Sector, moving a composite motion which particularly called for the Manpower Services Commission to be brought under direct democratic control, said they sought a wider breadth of training not only in traditional skills but in contemporary and future technology.

Mr Steve Large, St Ives, seconding, said that it was absurd to wait for employers to provide the huge training programme needed. A skilled workforce was vital.

Miss Kate Hoey, Co-operative Wholesale Society, moved a composite motion calling for increased public expenditure on civil rrsearch and development, and for consultation between the party and the CWS on the best way to teach co-operative matters.

She said that for Mrs Margaret Thatcher a state education service was no longer necessary. They were wasting a generation and their children were being abandoned.

Mr James Cameron, East Kilbride, seconding, said that the Tories had been in power for seven years and were now concerned about the problem of education.

The problem was that the Tories had been rumbled. People did not believe them any more. They should know about the crisis in education because they had created it. The state education service was under savage attack and needed to be defended.

Miss Joanna Tait, Social Education Association, proposing the composite resolution reaffirming the need for a 1988 education Act, said: "Never before has the opportunity been greater or more needed for us to campaign for education and to reaffirm our belief in education for everyone as of right".

The Conservatives were trying to put themselves forward as the party of change, of standards and of training. That was a "con trick", an illusion and a myth.

Sanctions 'the best answer'

The shadow Foreign Secretary, Mr Denis Healey, said in Blackpool yesterday that on his recent visit to South Africa he found powerful black and multiracial organizations in the trade unions, political parties and townships which were building up the basis for a majority black government within not many years from now.

Mr Healey, who was speaking at a Labour Party conference fringe meeting, said he regretted that the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, Sir Geoffrey Howe, on his ill-starred visit to South Africa, went through Soweto in five minutes in a sealed limousine with the windows up.

Had he come into visual contact with the reality of apartheid he could not have failed to change his position.

"If we have any hope of shortening the agony and reducing the bloodshed it must be as a result of sustained pressure from the outside world through sanctions", Mr Healey said.

"One of the things I was totally convinced of on my recent visit was that by far the best answer to the problem would be comprehensive mandatory sanctions through the United Nations. They would bite hard and fast, shortening the agony."

But such sanctions required a motion passed in the Security Council. Every such motion put to the United Nations had been vetoed by America and Britain, although the pressure was now building up.

"So far one of the most effective economic pressures on South Africa has come from the many companies, especially American, which have been compelled by the institutions which invest in them or by their own shareholders to take their money out of South Africa."

Today's agenda

Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, will address the conference this afternoon. There will be debates this morning on lesbian and gay rights, legal reform, crime and policing, social ownership, and this afternoon party finances and membership subscriptions will be considered.

HOUSING

Delegates demand a Bill for housing rights

The conference carried a motion urging the next Labour government to achieve its long-term objective to get a safe, secure and satisfactory home for all by preseating a housing rights Bill in the first session of a new Parliament.

The national executive committee of the party was instructed to ensure that a draft Bill was prepared before the next general election so that it would be available for Labour's incoming housing minister to present to Parliament immediately.

A detailed composite motion listed various rights for tenants that the Bill ought to contain and also the duties that would be placed on local authorities. Those included a right for all tenants to enable them to force their landlords to carry out repairs and for all tenants to have security of tenure, except in clearly defined and limited cases.

Another right would give people who are homeless, in overcrowded accommodation, or who are disabled to require their local authority to buy a home for them to rent if the authority cannot provide a home from its existing stock.

One far-reaching proposal was a right for all public, private and housing association tenants to buy their home from their landlord at market value, subject to their tenancy. But if the purchase were through the local authority in an area where the local plan indicated an unmet need for rented housing, the local authority would be bound to replace the unit lost with a comparable unit.

Private tenants should have the right to require their local authority to buy their property, so that they can remain as tenants or be rehoused, or collectively to acquire the freehold.

A second motion, proposed by the Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians, reiterated the need for sustained and consistent investment in housing as part of a programme for economic regeneration and the creation of a secure framework for jobs.

That investment would, the motion stated, be based on a move towards public ownership of the construction industry through the growth and extension of direct labour organizations and the repeal of legislation which hindered the growth of such organizations.

Mr Syd Tierney, of the Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers, vice-chairman of the Labour Party, in recommending acceptance of the two motions, said a sustained programme of house-building was essential and was one of Labour's top priorities. The Government's cuts in public-sector housing represented a policy of madness, particularly at a time when so many construction workers were unemployed.

Thousands of families, the homeless, the jobless and young people had no choice in housing. There was no choice for those living in the North of England, where the average price of a house was £25,000, who wanted to get work in the South of England, where the average price was £64,000.

Mr Jeffrey Rooker, MP for Birmingham Perry Barr and Opposition spokesman on housing, said housing would form an important part of Labour's million jobs programme.

The legacy Labour would inherit would be "horrendous". No fewer than two out of nine homes were either unfit or in need of substantial renovation. About four million families were involved, owners and tenants alike, and they were all in the misery together. Labour was the only party that would get them out of it.

Miss Jackie Rosenberg, Westminster North, complained that Mr Rooker had not been strong enough in his opposition to clauses in the Housing and Planning Bill, under which councils could sell off whole estates to private developers.

Tenants' groups were fighting to protect their rights of tenure. People were not ashamed to live in public-sector housing and many tenants were fearful of Labour's view of public-sector housing.

Mr Michael Connarty, parliamentary candidate for Stirling, said the Government was the new Rachmann. All tenants, public and private, should have the right to repair. Tenants must also have the right to participate in the drawing up of housing plans.

Miss Mary Page, parliamentary candidate for Norfolk South West, said action should be taken to prevent Tory county and district councils obstructing the plans for housing that Labour would be seeking to implement. Rural areas must be treated on a par with other areas.

Mr Nicholas Raynsford, MP for Fulham, said that the deplorable record of the Tory Government was symbolized by the increasing use of bed and breakfast hotels, usually squalid and certainly destructive of family life and even more expensive than building new council houses for the people involved.

They needed a programme that ensured investment in new homes and new rights for tenants and the homeless. There should not be the grotesque bias through subsidy in favour of the well-off and owner-occupier that existed at present.

Move to back pact on Ulster

By Martin Fletcher
Political Reporter

Mr Stuart Bell, a Labour Northern Ireland spokesman, criticized for agreeing to share a platform with a convicted IRA bomber tomorrow, is to use the occasion to deliver a ringing denunciation of violence and of politicians who support it and to announce new measures that a Labour government would take against terrorism.

His speech will be part of a wider offensive launched last night by himself and the shadow Northern Ireland secretary, Mr Peter Archer, designed to marginalize the vocal Troops Out movement on Labour's left and to swing the party firmly behind the Anglo-Irish Agreement before the next election.

On Thursday the Labour conference is expected to reject decisively two motions denouncing the Anglo-Irish agreement and calling for British troops to be withdrawn.

But Mr Bell believes that it is not enough to depend on union block votes and that the front bench has to carry the battle to the militant minorities.

Mr Archer opened the attack last night by arguing at a fringe meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party's Northern Ireland Committee that the border dispute will never be solved by Britain walking away.

The cornerstone of a future Labour government's Northern Ireland policy would be the Anglo-Irish agreement which, argued Mr Bell, represented a way for the nationalist community in the North to express their views.

Irish unity could only be achieved peacefully and with consent. Labour would seek harmanization of laws between north and south, examine ways of giving some form of devolution to Northern Ireland, study local government structures to achieve greater popular participation, stop strip searching and the use of rubber bullets, and amend procedure at Westminster to ensure more attention to Northern Ireland.

Mr Bell has defended his decision to appear with a convicted IRA bomber, Mr Thomas Carroll, at a fringe meeting organized by the Sinn Fein-sympathizing Labour Committee on Ireland.

It was regrettable that Mr Carroll had been invited but his job was to defend the Anglo-Irish agreement in front of activists, he said. He would be stating Labour policy clearly and denouncing Sinn Fein.

Electricity planning under way

The Central Electricity Generating Board is considering contingency plans in the event of the election of a Labour government committed to phasing out nuclear power generation.

Mr John Baker, managing director of the CEGB, told a fringe meeting organized by the Nuclear Electricity Information Group, that if nuclear power were to be phased out it should be a matter of decades not a matter of the moment.

When the editor of *Tribune*, Mr Nigel Williamson, asked what contingency plans the board had for the election of a Labour government, Mr Baker said that the board was looking at designs of larger, coal-fired power stations and those studies would come to fruition over the next few months.

The studies were not primarily based on political considerations but on the view that it was the board's duty to "work forward the alternatives".

Later Mr Baker told reporters that on any basis the CEGB needed to order six or seven power stations to be in operation by the year 2,000 and that meant ordering by 1994. His judgement was that they should be a mix of coal and nuclear.

The board was looking for possible sites. The preference for the first coal-fired station was on the South Coast to support the electricity system. They were also looking at sites in the Midlands and the North.

If the nuclear power stations were to be phased out in the 1990s there would have to be 13 or 14 new coal-fired stations.

Mr Baker said that he was extremely worried about the cost of phasing out nuclear power and suggested that the price of electricity would be between 25 and 50 per cent higher over a 25-year period.

Phasing out could be managed, but not without loss of light if it were to be carried out in five years.

COMMENTARY

Geoffrey Smith

Roy Hattersley has run into some criticism at Blackpool for not being sufficiently radical as Shadow Chancellor.

He was attacked by more than one speaker in the ecoomic debate yesterday for not being prepared to reimpose exchange controls, and the day before he came under fire from David Blunkett, the leader of Sheffield City Council, for promising that Labour's plans could be implemented without raising the standard rate of income tax.

Mr Hattersley rejected both criticisms, but he showed himself to be particularly sensitive to Mr Blunkett's charge. That is understandable. Exchange controls are a somewhat abstruse subject of economic debate: taxation may well be one of the principal issues in the next general election.

Attack from both sides

But it will not be a simple issue. On that, as on many other topics, Mr Hattersley is likely to find that he is being attacked from the left and the right.

Mr Blunkett was concerned with the need for frankness with the electorate. Yet that does not seem to have been his only concern. "In my view there will have to be a return to a higher standard rate of income tax", he declared, "and people will respect us for saying so."

They would certainly not respect Labour for appearing to fudge the issue, and there is a widespread suspicion — naturally encouraged by the present government — that Labour's spending plans have not been adequately costed. That would mean that in office Labour would not be able to confine the increases to relatively rich taxpayers

Whether such suspicions are justified must naturally depend on just how much Labour would try to do in its early years in office. The Institute for Fiscal Studies has concluded that Labour's immediate programme has been realistically costed, while the remaining pledges are likely to be expensive.

One can look at that, however, the other way round. The more firmly Labour is committed not to raise the standard rate of income tax, the less it will be able to do. That, I suspect, is what Mr Blunkett has in mind.

His distinctive position in Labour politics needs to be appreciated. He is a politically asttute and eloquent soft left member of the party's National Executive Committee who often seems to regard it as his role to build bridges to the far left.

That is what he tried to do with the Liverpool militants at Bournemouth last year, and he seems now to be sending another signal to the far left. He appears to be pressing Mr Hattersley not to be inhibited in making "a credible drive for socialism" by fear of putting up the standard rate of income tax.

What if Mr Hattersley had failed now to reaffirm the pledge on standard rate? How damaging would it be in the election if it were widely believed that under Labour most income taxpayers would be paying more?

ElectoraL danger

A little while ago I would have had no doubt that it would have been electorally disastrous. Now I think the position is a little more complicated. There is a good deal of evidence that lower taxation is no longer the overriding priority.

Most people are more concerned to improve standards in education and health. If that means putting up taxes a bit, so be it. People are prepared to spend more of their own money for better schools for their children and better hospitals for their families.

I am very doubtful, however, if that indicates a new era of electoral compassion. I wonder if those who say in opinion polls that they would be prepared to pay more on standard rate for the relief of poverty would really be so willing when it came to the point.

There is, I believe, an electoral danger for Labour and also for the SDP with its ambitious plan for the merging of tax and benefits in assuming a greater fund of public compassion than actually exists. The Conservatives would be unlikely to win the election simply with a programme for lower taxes, but the opposition parties could lose the election with plans for higher taxes.

Conference reports by Alan Wood, Robert Morgan, John Winder, Anthony Hodges and Howard Underwood

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Call for more black judges to build trust of minority in courts

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Immediate action is needed to combat the "disastrous" racial discrimination in the criminal justice system, according to a committee which includes representatives of magistrates, justices clerks and probation officers.

Unless the system is fair, the committee says in a report published yesterday, respect for the law among young black people disappears and the temptation to diregard it increases.

Home Office statistics show that the proportion of black male prisoners is double that of comparable age groups in the general population.

The proportion of black female prisoners is even higher. Yet black prisoners have substantially fewer previous convictions than white prisoners.

"Many black people lack confidence in the way they are treated in the courts," the report, by the Race Issues Advisory Committee of the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders, says.

The committee recommends that Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, Lord Chancellor, should make a public commitment to the appointment of more black judges and should develop a more positive approach to recruiting black magistrates.

The report says that more should be done to recruit black people into the probation service at all levels. At present black people make up fewer than 2 per cent of the 6,784 probation staff.

Although the Prison Department had acted to meet the challenge, greater efforts should be made to recruit black staff to the prison service, the report said.

Racially prejudiced or discriminatory behaviour by prison staff should be a disciplinary offence.

The proportion of victims of robbery and assault from ethnic minorities is much higher than their proportion in the population as a whole, and is increasing.

In 1984 in London, 15.1 per cent of victims of robbery and 16.3 per cent of victims of assault were of Afro-Caribbean or Asian origin. In 1985 the proportions rose to 16.5 per cent and 18.1 per cent respectively.

Although Sir Kenneth Newman, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, in 1985 targeted racial attacks as a priority for action and the Association of Chief Police Officers issued guidance to all forces, the report says the police should be more vigorous in using their powers against racial harassment.

The report was described by Mr Peter Newsam, chairman of the Commission for Racial Equality, as "a call to action".

He said: "If black people's confidence in the criminal justice system is to be increased, as it needs to be, the committee's recommendations should be taken seriously by all the statutory, voluntary and community organizations involved."

Black People and the Criminal Justice System (Nacro, 169 Clapham Road, London SW9 OPU; £5 incl p & p).

Britain's oldest identical twins, Marion (left) and Isabella Weir, of Longridge, West Lothian, celebrated their 100th birthday yesterday. Neither of the sisters smokes or drinks, and apart from 11 years, they have never been separated and have not married.

West of Scotland is hit by tremor

An earthquake shook a 3,000 square mile area of the west coast of Scotland early yesterday. Nobody was hurt but there were reports of household objects being toppled by the vibrations.

The British Geological Survey centre in Edinburgh said the epicentre of the tremor, measured 3.5 on the Richter Scale, was at Loch Linnhe, near Oban.

Earthquakes of this magnitude, or greater, are felt on average three times a year in Britain. Yesterday's earthquake, which happened at 2.33am, lasted for about 20 seconds.

Police, who received 30 calls from the public, said there were no reports of structural damage.

Mrs Maureen Ritchie, a seismologist at the geological centre, said that several tremors, each between one and two on the Richter Scale, have been recorded in that area during the past year.

She added: "We believe they are connected with the Great Glen fault."

The most severe earthquake to be measured by instruments in Britain was at Lleyn Penn, North Wales, in July 1984, which reached 5.4.

Stranded fans to take legal action

By David Sapsted

A group of Northern Irish football supporters said yesterday that they would take legal action against Sealink for banning them from travelling on a ferry back to the province.

The captain of the Stranraer-Larne ferry, the Galloway Princess, refused to sail on Sunday night with the group of 42 "loyalists" on board, claiming some of them were drunk.

As part of a clamp down on football hooligans, Sealink refuses to carry any supporters across the Irish Sea who might be "a danger to themselves or other passengers", a spokesman said yesterday.

The group returned yesterday morning without incident on another Sealink ferry, the St David.

Mr Kenneth Kerr, one of the organizers of the trip to Scotland to support Rangers, said solicitors would demand compensation from Sealink.

Runcie visit

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, is to visit the US from October 4 to 10 at the invitation of Harvard and Yale universities.

Court asked to vary Nirex injunctions

Anti-nuclear protest groups asked a High Court judge yesterday to vary injunctions granted to Nirex, the atomic waste agency.

They claim the injunctions restraining them from stopping test drilling on three of the proposed nuclear dump sites are too wide because all those associated with them, including the Bishop of Lincoln and Mr Austin Mitchell, MP for Great Grimsby, and the Women's Institute could find themselves liable to damages.

Mr Justice Henry is being asked to restrict the injunctions to named defendants of the Lincolnshire Against Nuclear Dumping and the Humberside Against Nuclear Dumping groups.

The injunctions granted earlier this month encompass all those "associated or affiliated with" the groups.

Mrs Vera Baird, counsel for the two groups, said that in obtaining the injunctions Nirex had "caused serious worry, indeed fright to families in the counties".

Nirex is testing four sites, Elstow, Bedfordshire, Killingholme, Humberside, Fulbeck, Lincolnshire, and Bradwell on Sea, Essex.

The hearing continues today.

● Anglian Water has appointed a team of experts to protect water interests when Nirex begins drilling to determine the suitability of four sites for the disposal of low-level radioactive waste.

The water authority, which is responsible for water supplies to 10,500 square miles between the Humber and the Thames, wants to know whether it will prove dangerous to porous water bearing rocks.

Mr Bernard Henderson, chairman of Anglian Water, said yesterday the authority was determined to obtain its own independent and impartial advice as it was vitally important that customers should be reassured.

Courts hit by roof protest

A continuing rooftop protest by prisoners at Risley Remand Centre in Cheshire led yesterday to the cancellation of all services to the courts and prison visits.

The administrative difficulties for courts in the North-west and North Wales came when 101 prisoners from Risley failed to arrive for hearings after the remand centre's governor announced the cancellation.

The rooftop protest, which began on Saturday, is against overcrowding. At first, 18 prisoners occupied the roof. By yesterday morning there were 10 still there.

Yesterday Risley should have sent 14 prisoners to face trial, 74 for remand and 13 for an appearance in court.

The Home Office said there had been three small cell fires at the centre but that all were quickly contained with minimum damage.

Acid rain:2

Caution on plant effects

Scientists blame acid rain for killing trees and fish. But as Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent, reports in the second of four articles, householders should pause before looking for its effects in their flower borders and goldfish bowls

Dr Nigel Bell is an expert on the impact of acid rain on plants. "It should by now be clear," he told environmental health officers from local councils at their national conference this month, "that our understanding of the importance of air pollution in reducing the performance of vegetation in the United Kingdom is at a very elementary stage."

It is all very well saying that acid rain damages plants, but so do many other things. Frost, drought, the nature of the soil and attacks by moulds and insects all play their parts.

As several of them occur together, it becomes harder than ever to decide exactly what is making a plant suffer. It becomes even harder if the attack is coming either from acid rain or directly from smoke-borne gases.

At least if the plant is being weakened by insects that nibble it or nest on it the culprits can usually be seen and their work identified. The neat term "acid rain" implies that the thing is consistent and unchanging. In fact the acidity of rain falling on one patch of land can vary enormously through the seasons.

That helps to explain the caution of scientists who investigate the causes and effects of acid rain damage. The effects are not all one way.

Black spot is a fungus disease which disfigures the leaves on rose bushes. Gardeners who live in areas heavily polluted by sulphur dioxide from power stations or heavy industry experience little trouble from the fungus. Black spot on roses increases when the amount of sulphur dioxide in the atmosphere is reduced.

"There are many examples of economically important diseases being stimulated by pollutants," Dr Bell, a senior lecturer at Imperial College of Science and Technology, said. "One is the action of ozone on grey mould on potatoes."

Leeks, lupins and clover are all sensitive to pollution by nitrogen oxides that are puffed into the atmosphere, according to a new handbook compiled at Imperial College.

Acid rain is caused by a mixture of pollutants that are puffed skywards and react with cloud-borne moisture. Sulphur dioxide from power stations is the best-known of the pollutants, but oxides of nitrogen play a leading part as well. About half of the nitrogen oxides come from power stations, a third from vehicle exhausts and a fifth from industry. A small amount comes from home-heating systems.

Tomorrow: Satellites and children

Undergraduates killed in Alps snowstorm

Two inseparable school friends who went on to become Cambridge undergraduates have died together in a freak snowstorm in the Alps.

The students were experienced mountaineers and left Cambridge three weeks ago determined to climb Mont Blanc.

But a mountain rescue team found the body of Mr James Perrett, aged 21, a second-year medical student at Jesus College, 4,400 metres up a slope in the Aosta Valley after a snowstorm. He is thought to have died of hypothermia.

There was no sign of his friend, Mr David Howie, also aged 21, a first-year engineering student at St John's. His parents have been told by French mountain rescuers that the search for him has been abandoned and he is presumed to be dead.

Mr Perrett, the son of a fish merchant, was from Swaffham Bulbeck, near Cambridge. He was awarded a first-class pass in part 1b of the medical tripos examination at Cambridge in the summer and had just been elected by his college to a foundation scholarship for his third year due to beginnext month.

He was described yesterday as a "quite outstanding" medical student.

Mr Howie, due to begin his second year, was also described as a "very fine student" and was the son of a Churchill College don.

Their home is in Huntingdon Road, Cambridge. They had climbed in the Pyrenees and crossed Spitzbergen together.

Mrs Isobel Perrett said last night: "We begged James not to go near Mont Blanc because of its reputation, but he reassured us they were highly experienced mountaineers and said they were determined to go."

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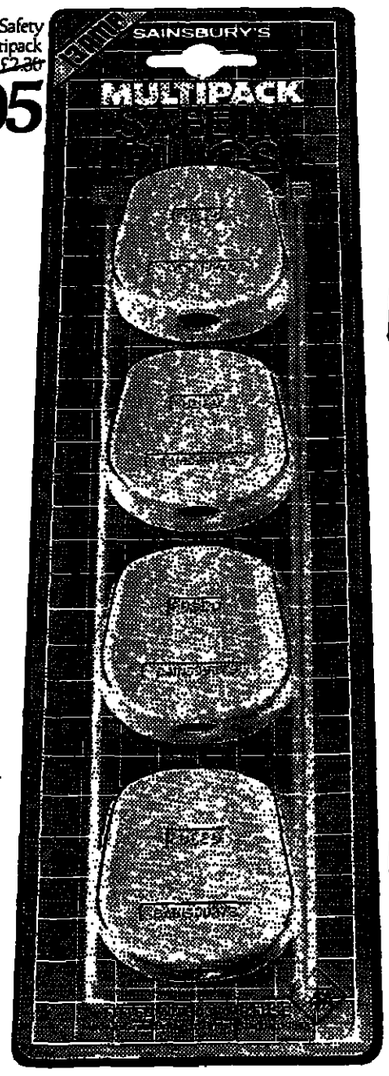

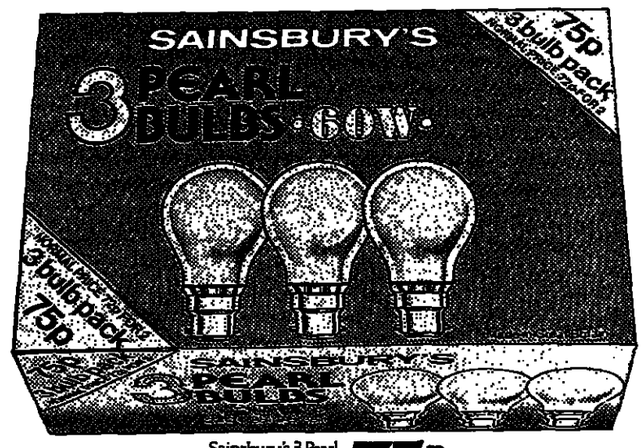

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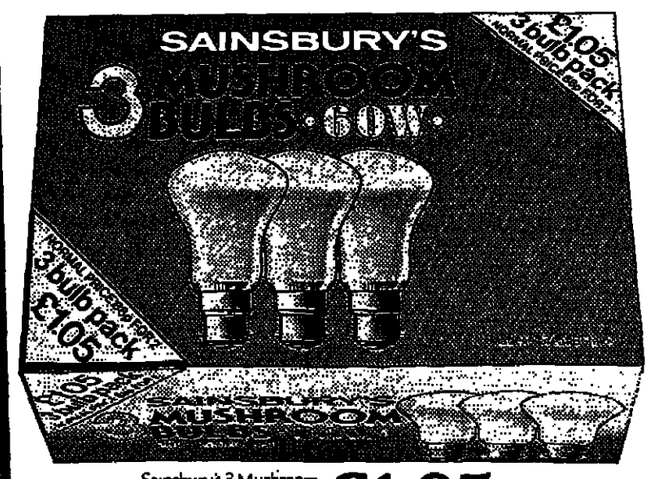

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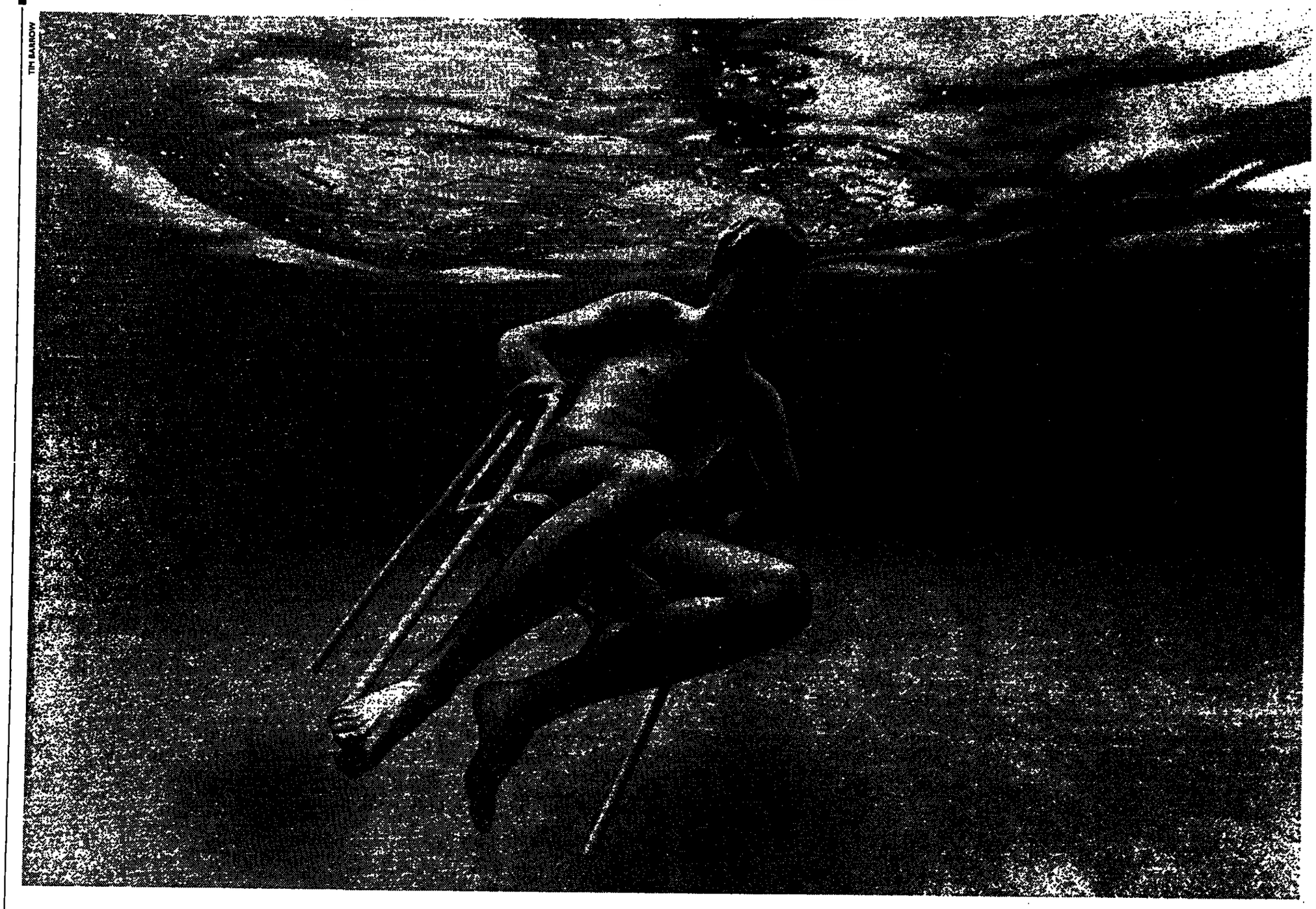

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Chernobyl restarts one of remaining reactors in face of energy crisis

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

The Soviet authorities announced last night that the first of the four original 1,000-megawatt reactors at the Chernobyl plant had been restarted yesterday, some five months after the explosion that caused the world's worst nuclear disaster.

Mr Vitaly Sklyarov, minister of electrification and power engineering in the Ukraine, said that the next stage in restarting the plant would be the resumption of commercial electricity generation.

Yesterday the reactor operation was brought to "the minimum controllable level". Western energy experts said that one reason why the authorities had pressed ahead so rapidly in restarting the plant was the serious energy shortage facing the country.

A second Chernobyl reactor is expected to resume operations soon, but no date has been set for bringing back on stream the third, which is next to that wrecked in the explosion on April 26.

The Soviet Union faces an energy crisis this winter not only because of the Chernobyl disaster but also because of long delays in the construction of additional generating capacity in other nuclear and hydro-electric power stations.

Peak-hour electricity rationing has already been introduced in four of the 15 republics.

As Muscovites shivered in a unseasonable blizzard yesterday, *Pravda* carried a gloom-laden front-page leading article giving warning of the difficulties ahead and calling for a sweeping energy conservation drive by both domestic and industrial consumers.

It is the second time this month that the paper has lashed out against the energy sector for failing to prepare the country adequately for a winter which has not only arrived early but also shown signs of being uncomfortably severe.

Pravda cited low water levels in rivers as the third main reason for the crisis.

It said that construction of new units, as laid down in the five-year national plan, had been delayed at nuclear power plants in Kalinin, Zaporozhye and Rovno.

It did not give the expected winter energy shortfall in precise figures, but said that the need to rush construction at the nuclear plants and other power stations that had fallen behind target would inevitably reduce the quality of work carried out in the last quarter of the year.

The leading article, which came after Communist Party reprimands had been handed out to various senior officials in the troubled energy industry, said that work had begun on electricity generating units with a total capacity of less than 3.5 million kilowatt hours, whereas 28 units with a capacity of 6.5 million kilowatt hours had been scheduled for completion in the first eight months of the year.

Commenting on the article, a senior Western energy specialist said that one reason for the delays was the involvement of so many experts and so much specialized machinery and capital in the huge and still unfinished clean-up at Chernobyl.

Yesterday Tass disclosed that 4,500 square miles of land around the plant in the Ukraine had been examined for contamination since the explosion. Stage two of the investigation had begun recently, spread even farther afield to pinpoint any "dirty spots" outside the immediate exclusion zone.

According to Western estimates, Soviet electricity consumption can vary by more 15 per cent between summer and winter, allowing a lot of slack in the grid to cope with the immediate aftermath of the disaster. The early onset of the winter, however, has cut this margin of spare capacity.

Pravda said yesterday that peak-hour rationing had been introduced morning and evening in parts of the Ukraine, Moldavia, the northern Caucasus and Central Asia.

In an leading article on Sepetember 16, the paper said: "The preparation of the country's energy industry for the cold calls forth serious anxiety."

Police inspect damage caused by a bomb which went off outside a Masonic lodge in Brussels, injuring two people.

Brussels bomb hurts two

From Richard Owen
Brussels

An explosion ripped through a Masonic Lodge in central Brussels in the early hours of yesterday morning, injuring two people and causing extensive damage.

The bombing, thought by Belgian police to be a terrorist attack, came only a few days after EEC Interior Ministers had agreed at their emergency London summit to tighten up co-ordination of the European fight against terrorism in the wake of the recent Paris bombs.

Immediate suspicion fell on the Belgian terrorist group, the Fighting Communist Cells (CCC), although police emphasized that no one had claimed responsibility for the blast and there was no hard evidence that the CCC was behind it.

Four CCC ringleaders — including M Pierre Carrette, the CCC mastermind — were arrested in a dramatic police raid at the end of last year. But Belgium has been bracing itself for a recurrence of terrorism by lower level members of the CCC, which receives arms from Action Directe, the French terrorist group espousing a similar anarchistic form of Marxism.

Eye witnesses said a car had drawn up outside the Grand Orient Lodge, headquarters for about 80 Masonic lodges, and one or more terrorists had leapt out, placing a suitcase of explosives at the Lodge entrance before driving off.

One man was cut by flying glass from the explosion and another person was slightly injured.

New Peking code reaffirms Deng's open-door policy

From Robert Grieves, Peking

Details of a sweeping new code of conduct issued by China's powerful Communist Party Central Committee reaffirm the country's commitment to the open-door policy and uphold the right of Chinese citizens to make money, to learn from capitalist countries and to adopt a greater measure of democracy.

A 10,000-character resolution, entitled "Guiding principles for building a socialist society with an advanced culture and ideology", calls the modernization programme spearheaded by Mr Deng Xiaoping, China's supreme leader, "a basic, unalterable policy".

It emphasizes the need for "socialist morality", based on the development of "socialist spiritual civilization" to accompany the development of China's economy, which the Dengists dub "material civilization".

In a reference to well-publicized cases of economic crime and bureaucratic fraud that have proliferated since 1978, the document observes: "Socialist morality rejects both the idea and the practice of pursuing personal interests at the expense of others, or pursuing the interests of one's own group at the expense of others, or pursuing the interests of one's own group at the expense of the larger collective".

According to the document, the socialist legal system protected the rights of all the people, and everyone was equal under the law.

"Support of the democratic legal system begins at school. The law is a powerful weapon in protecting the people and protecting the four modernizations."

At the same time, the resolution warned that the West's "bourgeois liberalization, which means negating the socialist system in favor of capitalism, is in total contradiction to the people's interests".

But the resolution declares that China's "iron rice bowl" of equal pay regardless of effort must be broken.

"China will on no account regard egalitarianism (equal pay for unequal work) as an ethical principle in our society."

The resolution was issued after 199 Central Committee members and 126 alternates held a one-day plenary session in the Great Hall of the People here, following five days of preparatory meetings.

The session was chaired by Mr Hu Yaobang, the party general secretary, Mr Deng, Mr Zhao Ziyang, China's Premier, Mr Li Xiannian, China's President, and Mr Chen Yun, a conservative senior member of the Central Committee's politburo.

Mr Deng: "a basic and unalterable policy."

The resolution, issued in eight instalments by the New China News Agency, appeared on the front page of yesterday's edition of the normally drab *Peoples' Daily* under large red headlines.

Mr Deng said recently that it was too early to take action on the pressing issue of political reform, which lies at the heart of China's modernization drive.

But some Chinese officials said last week that the plenum's discussion of "spiritual civilization" could set the stage for the debate on political reform.

By defining the ideological basis of Mr Deng's modernization programme, diplomats here say, Mr Deng is attempting to protect himself from party conservatives who have charged that his reforms have fostered corruption and a weakening of China's socialist structure.

"This meeting was a triumph for Deng, and goes much further than I would have expected," a Western diplomat said yesterday.

"It endorses his position on just about all points, except those that even Dengists would say need correcting."

Mr Deng is expected to step down formally as paramount leader at the party's 13th national congress which will be attended by 1,950 delegates in Peking next October.

● **Leaders meet:** General Wojciech Jaruzelski, who is head of the Polish Communist Party, exchanged views on the development of socialism with Mr Deng during an hour-long interview in the Great Hall of the People here yesterday.

Solidarity leaders look to the future

Warsaw — Poland's Solidarity leaders met yesterday under the chairmanship of Mr Lech Walesa to chart a new opposition strategy towards the communist authorities after the release of the country's political prisoners (Roger Boyes writes).

The fundamental problem is whether to dissolve the underground leadership and to try to operate completely legally.

Pilot charge

Paris (Reuter) — Mme Nadine Vaujour, who piloted the helicopter which plucked her husband Michel from the roof of a Paris prison in May, has been charged with complicity in his escape.

Train crash

Jakarta (AP) — Thirteen people were killed and nine others injured in a collision between a train and a truck carrying 22 villagers in south Sumatra.

Paris honour

Vienna (AP) — Mr Simon Wiesenthal, head of the Jewish Documentation Centre, who brought numerous Nazi war criminals to justice, has been made a Chevalier of the French Légion d'honneur.

Basque held

Bayonne (AP) — French frontier police arrested a suspected member of the ETA Basque movement and held him for possible expulsion to Spain, police said.

Sabin ill

Catania (Reuter) — Dr Albert Sabin, aged 80, the American doctor who developed an oral vaccine against polio, was taken ill with a heart disturbance during a flight. He is now improving.

Lorry loaded

Mannheim (Reuter) — A nationwide hunt was launched for a lorry driver who vanished with five million marks (£1.7 million) in neighbouring Ludwigshafen, a police spokesman said.

Plane fire

Delhi (Reuter) — At least 10 people were injured when an Indian Airlines Airbus made an emergency landing in Madras with one engine on fire, the Press Trust of India reported.

Troops on ice

Tehran (Reuter) — Iran has built an ice-making factory in the southern Iraqi port of Faw, which its forces have occupied since February.

Ghana link with Togo coup plot

LOME (Reuter) — Guerrillas accused of attempting to overthrow President Eyadema of Togo said yesterday that they were recruited in Ghana and armed and trained in Burkina Faso.

Mr Kpotivi Tevi-Djijogbe Lacle, the Minister of the Interior, presented the captives at a news conference. He said they claimed they were ordered to kill Mr Eyadema and install Mr Gilchrist Olympio.

If Mr Eyadema had been killed in the coup attempt, about 200 troops from Burkina Faso, which borders Togo to the north, would have provided support to the new regime, Mr Lacle said.

He added that the plan was to set up a 10-member provisional council for Togolese redemption.

By-election shock for Ozal Cabinet

From Rasit Gurdilek, Ankara

Mr Suleyman Demirel, the leader of the True Path Party, the real winner of Sunday's by-elections for 11 seats in the Turkish Parliament, yesterday called for an early general election to add to the troubles of Mr Turgut Ozal, the Prime Minister.

The True Path Party, not allowed to enter the general elections in 1983, won four seats, displacing in the process the opposition Social Democrats to become the second biggest party.

The main opposition Social Democratic Populist Party won a single seat as the votes were split by the rival Democratic Left Party supported by Mr Bulent Ecevit, who, like Mr Demirel, has been defying his political restrictions to campaign in the poll.

Mr Ecevit, however, has been less successful than Mr Demirel, as the Democratic Left Party failed to clear the 10-per cent hurdle necessary to win a seat.

Although the ruling Motherland Party of Mr Ozal secured six seats to boost to 237 its majority in the 400-member Parliament, it saw its electoral support dwindle by a quarter to 32 per cent.

Addressing a press conference yesterday, Mr Demirel insisted that the Ozal Government could not be allowed to stay in power for two more years. He also attacked the political restrictions imposed on him and other politicians which, he said, "created a barrier in front of the national will."

Family feud across Ciskei and Transkei homelands

Xhosa power clash flares over kidnap

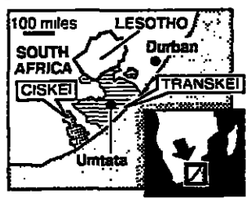
From Michael Hornsby
East London

A power struggle has broken out between South Africa's two Xhosa-speaking tribal homelands of Ciskei and Transkei, and within Ciskei's ruling Sebe clan in the Eastern Cape, traditionally known as the oldest centre of the country's black-white conflict.

The Ciskei Government spokesman, Mr Headman Somtunzi, claimed yesterday in an interview with *The Times* that Major-General Kwane Sebe, son of the President for life, Mr Lennox Sebe, who was abducted by unknown white men last Friday, was being held hostage in neighbouring Transkei.

According to Mr Somtunzi, Major-General Sebe is a prisoner in Umtata, the Transkei capital, at the house of Mr Namba Sebe, a disgruntled brother of President Sebe. Mr Namba Sebe, a former Minister of Transport in Ciskei, sought refuge in Transkei to evade charges of fraud and corruption.

Late on Friday, Mr Somtunzi said, Mr Namba Sebe telephoned a Ciskei minister demanding that President Sebe, as the price for the release of his son, should resign and make way for a government headed by Mr



Charles Sebe, another renegade brother of the President.

Mr Charles Sebe, once the much-feared head of the Ciskei security forces, was arrested in July 1983 amid allegations of a plot to topple his brother, and was sentenced a year later to 12 years' prison for having allegedly incited police and army officers to commit violence.

On Friday, the same day that Major-General Kwane Sebe, commander of an elite security force unit, was kidnapped, another group of armed white men freed Mr Charles Sebe from prison. He is also understood to be in Transkei.

A former member of the South African security police, he believed he had a mission to eliminate communists.

The abductors of President Sebe's son are also demanding the release from jail of the two sons of Mr Namba Sebe and Mr Charles Sebe. Former members of the Ciskei security forces, they were sentenced in 1984 to long prison terms for complicity in a rebellion against the Ciskei Government.

There has been no public comment on the affair from Transkei.

Relations between the powerful Matanzima family in Transkei and President Sebe have never been friendly. The Matanzimas would like to rule over a greater Xhosa state in the Eastern Cape, and were angry when Ciskei accepted "independence" from Pretoria in 1981. As they saw it, this "divided the Xhosa nation".

Neither Transkei, which took "independence" in 1976 and has about 2,500,300 inhabitants, nor Ciskei, whose population is about 720,000, is recognised by the outside world, and their leaders are denounced by radical black political groups as government stooges.

Former white members of the Selous Scouts, the elite anti-guerrilla unit of Southern Rhodesia, hold prominent positions in the Transkei security forces, and could well have sprung Mr Charles Sebe from prison and abducted President Sebe's son.

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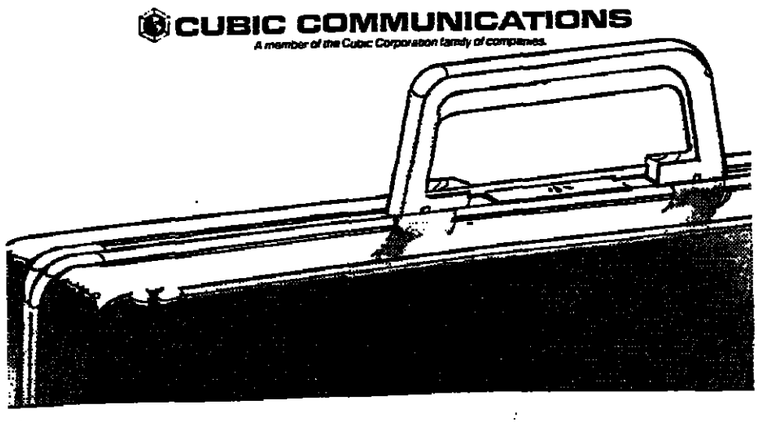


Egypt steps in with offer on peace process

From Zoriana Pysariwsky
New York

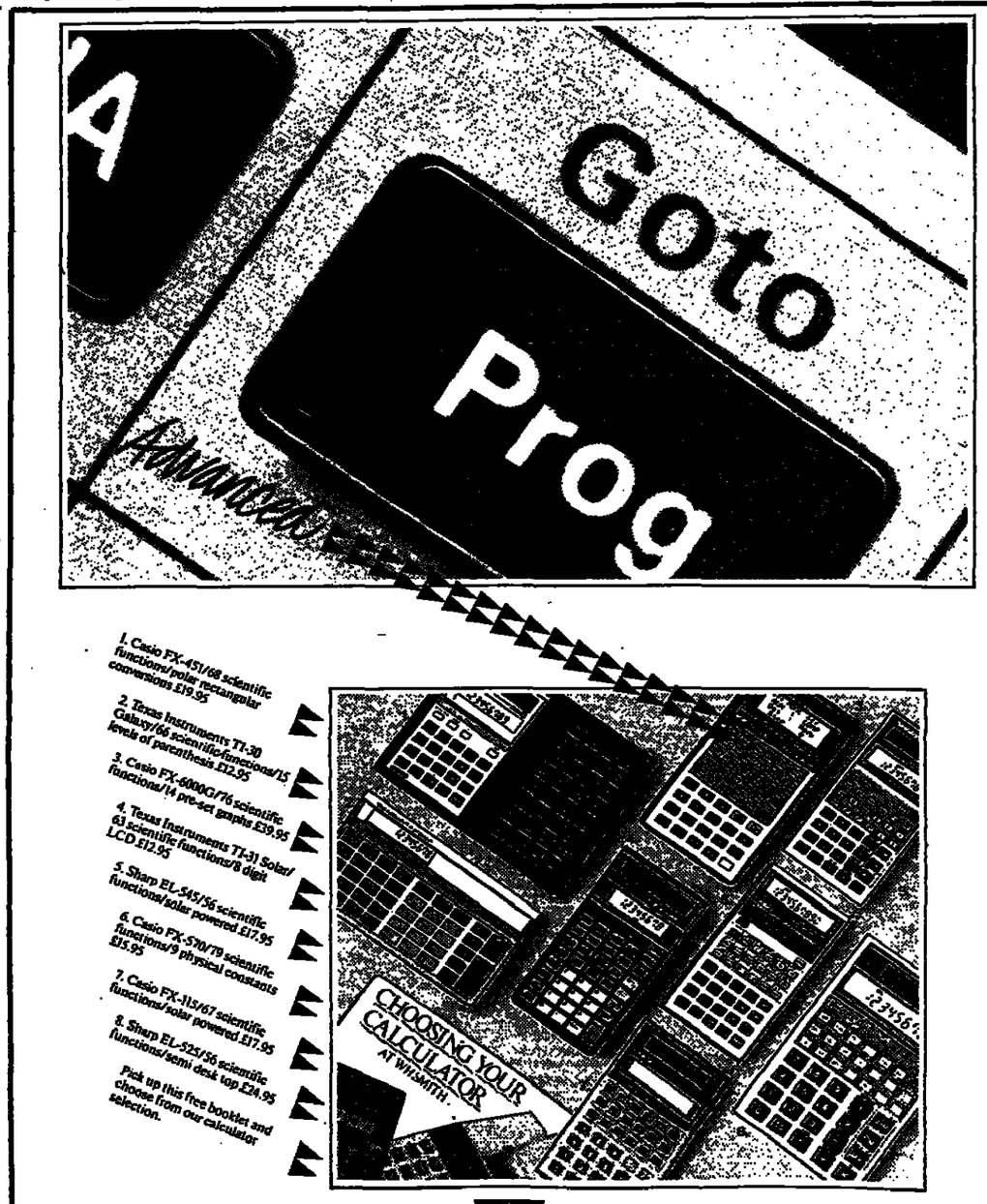
Egypt yesterday offered its services as the main arbiter of the Middle East peace process, saying it was in a unique position to promote Arab-Israeli reconciliation.

Mr Ahmed Abdel Meguid, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, told the UN General Assembly that Egypt was best equipped to act "as a direct party with all other parties" in the Middle East dispute.

It was also in a position to engage in a dialogue with the five permanent members of the Security Council to create the conditions for convening an international peace conference.

He appeared to straddle the different approaches taken by Israel and Arab states to a peace conference, saying it should serve as a framework for negotiations.

● **GENEVA:** Senior Egyptian and Israeli officials met here yesterday to decide on a final arbiter and a starting date for their conference on the disputed Taba enclave (AP reports).



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TV cameraman kidnapped as tension rises in west Beirut

Beirut (Reuter) — A French television cameraman was reported kidnapped in west Beirut and an Army colonel was murdered in the Christian east yesterday as tension mounted between soldiers and militiamen.

A French Embassy spokesman said that Jean-Marc Sroussi, aged 41, a freelance cameraman for several television networks including France's Antenne-2, had been kidnapped.

M Sroussi was seized on Sunday as he crossed by car from Christian east Beirut to the mainly Muslim western sector, through southern suburbs, largely controlled by the Shia Muslim Amal militia.

Local media said that he was crossing the "Green Line" divide to try to learn the whereabouts of his assistant, Mr Fuad Suleiman, a Christian Syrian, who was abducted last week.

The Amal militia has launched a massive hunt for M Sroussi, whose abduction took place in an area largely controlled by Amal.

"Orders have gone out to all our posts and checkpoints to look for him," militia sources said.

Nine French nationals are now among at least 20 foreigners missing, believed kidnapped, in Lebanon.

In east Beirut, tension rose sharply between the Christian Lebanese Forces militia and regular army soldiers after the Army intervened in a weekend battle between Christians in which at least 33 people died.

The militia issued a communiqué blaming "hot headed" Army officers for a shoot-out at a militia checkpoint on Sunday in which two Christian fighters died.

It said that while the Lebanese Forces enjoyed good relations with the Army, officers should not be allowed to act in a "haphazard manner".

In an apparently related incident, gunmen shot dead a senior Christian officer in his east Beirut home.

A senior Lebanese Forces official said that the murder of Colonel Khalil Kanaan, aged 56, commander of the Fifth Brigade, was part of a plot to destabilize Christian areas of the country.

"We had very good links with the officer, and the killing has been made to look as if we were involved," he said.

Prickly path to Arab leadership in West Bank cities

Jordan is happy at choice of mayors

From Ian Murray
Jerusalem

Jordan yesterday welcomed the appointment by Israel of three Arab mayors for the occupied West Bank cities of Ramallah, Hebron and Al Bireh. They started work yesterday, learning the job from the Israeli military governors who have been running the cities since their Arab mayors were deposed four years ago.

It has taken months of delicate negotiations to find Arabs prepared to serve as mayors, following the assassination last March of Mr Zafr al-Masri, who was appointed Mayor of Nablus by Israel in what was said at the time to be a prototype for the kind of local autonomy favoured for the occupied territories by the Israeli Labour Party.

Several potential candidates for the post of mayor in other towns withdrew after the murder and the funeral of Mr al-Masri, which turned into a huge demonstration of support for the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

Critics here blamed the Israeli Government at the time for turning the Mayor of Nablus into an inevitable assassination victim by holding him up as an example of the type of person who could work peacefully for the Palestinian cause alongside the Israeli occupying power.

In marked contrast, Israeli authorities have been at pains to play down the significance of the three new appointments.

Major General Ephraim Sneh, the civil administration chief in the West Bank, said that what was involved was an initiative of the people with no political connotation. There was no attempt to try to create an alternative leadership in the West Bank, he said.

Nevertheless Jordan has promised financial support for the three mayors, all of whom went to Amman to seek approval before agreeing to the Israeli appointment.

King Husain, who is looking for an alternative leadership to the PLO, must therefore see them as potential allies.

None of them is a revolutionary figure. Mr Hassan al-Tawil in Al Bireh is 71, a wealthy landowner and businessman who is already established as one of the city's two main community leaders.

Dr Abdel Majid al-Ziris is aged 58 and the head of Hebron's Municipal Health Department, which means he is already a Jordanian civil servant.

Mr Khalil Musa Khalil is aged 59 and a wealthy businessman who served as Mayor of Ramallah between 1969 and 1972 before PLO-sponsored appointees took over the post.

The new Israeli-appointed Mayor of Al Bireh, Mr Hassan al-Tawil, flanked by two Israeli soldiers as he arrives to take up his duties at the city headquarters.

War crime accused to face Israeli show trial

From Ian Murray
Jerusalem

A former car worker accused of war crimes detailed in a 17-page catalogue was charged formally when he appeared in Jerusalem District Court yesterday. Mr Ivan John Demjanjuk, aged 66, will be in custody until his show trial starts, probably at the end of the year.

If found guilty, Mr Demjanjuk, from Cleveland, Ohio, could face the death penalty. Capital punishment does not exist in Israel, even for terrorism, but it has been retained for war criminals and was used to hang Adolf Eichmann 25 years ago.

It is seven months since he was extradicted from the US, having been stripped of his American nationality after admitting he falsified his immigration papers in 1951.

Eight survivors of the Nazi extermination camp at Treblinka, in Poland, where 900,000 Jews died between 1942 and 1943, are prepared to identify him as "Ivan the Terrible", its executioner.

The sort of accusation which will be made during the trial was given by the charge sheet: "The accused stabbed his victims in various parts of their bodies, tore pieces of flesh from their limbs and injured them with great force.

"On more than one occasion, the accused selected elderly Jews, adorned with beards and sidelocks, and led them naked to the nearby wire fence. The accused would place his victim's head between the taught strands of the wire while beating the unfortunate man's body with his whip.

"The victim, wriggling about from the severity of the pain, would strangle himself on the strands of the barbed wire between which his head was trapped."

Mr Mark O'Connor, an American defence lawyer, will be seeking to prove not that the atrocities never happened, but that the prisoner was never at Treblinka, let alone serving as executioner there.

Mr Demjanjuk claims that he is the victim of a Soviet plot to discredit him after he deserted from the Red Army during the war.

His case is that he was himself a prisoner of the Nazis, and went on to become a model American immigrant, a Ford car mechanic, loving father and grandfather and respected member of the congregation of St Vladimir Church in Cleveland.

Mr O'Connor said that the question of identification would be "a trial within a trial". The court would have to look at evidence obtained from archives in Poland, East and West Germany and the Soviet Union.

Costa Rica admits to Contra airstrip

From Martha Honey
San José

A high-ranking Costa Rica Government official has admitted for the first time that a large, clandestine airstrip near the border with Nicaragua is a US-financed Contra camp built during the previous San José administration with the help of the Civil Guard.

This contradicts the official version, given after journalists discovered the airstrip last week, that the 1.5-mile dirt landing strip was part of a private tourist project located on the Potrero Grande inlet on the Pacific coast, 15 miles south of Nicaragua.

Señor Hernan Garron, the Costa Rica Security Minister, had told the press that the airstrip had been built earlier this year by the Panama-based Udall Research Corporation as part of a beach resort. The company eventually abandoned the project because of its proximity to the Nicaraguan civil war.

The Civil Guard raided the abandoned airstrip on September 3 because of persistent rumours that aircraft were landing there. "We thought there might be Contras in the area or armed drug smugglers," he said.

Residents in the area say that since early this year Civil Guardsmen and at least two Americans have been seen going to the site. The airstrip and the barracks alongside, they believe, were constructed by the Guardsmen under supervision from "engineers from the US Embassy."

Señor Garron denied that Civil Guardsmen were involved in the construction. The US Embassy has refused to comment.

However, a top Government official here said: "It is a Contra base and the US and the Civil Guard were involved in the construction of it."

He said that President Arias was informed of its existence in early May, just after he took office and "immediately ordered its shutting down."

This action, he added, was not made public because of Costa Rica's "very delicate" relations with the US.

Two other Government officials said President Arias ordered that Civil Guardsmen be stationed at the airstrip and barrels be placed on the runway to prevent its use.

However, a visit to the remote airstrip revealed that there are no obstructions on the runway.

Government officials say that Guardsmen stationed there in May were later withdrawn and returned only early this month after residents complained that the airstrip was again being used. Several residents said they had seen large transport planes landing.

French right wing will dominate new Senate

From Diana Geddes, Paris

France's ruling right-wing coalition party has emerged victorious from the weekend Senate election and the parliamentary by-election in the Haute Garonne, and the left did less badly than had been feared.

The Communist Party, which had been in danger of losing its right to form an officially-recognized group in the Senate, managed to retain the minimum 15 seats required, after losing nine of its 19 seats which had come up for re-election.

But in the Haute Garonne, the Communists' reduced support slipped still further, to give the party just 6 per cent of the vote, compared with 8 per cent in the March general election.

The Gaullist Rassemblement pour la République (RPR) party was the big winner of the Senate elections, taking 18 more seats than before. With 77 seats, it is now almost certain to form the biggest group in the Senate for the first time in the party's history, though the final party alignments in the upper house will not be known until the opening of Parliament on October 2. Until now the Senate has always been dominated by the centre-right.

The parties supporting the Rassemblement pour la République-Union pour la Démocratie Francais (RPR-UDF) coalition in government will now have 229 out of the 319 Senate seats.

M Alain Poher's re-election as president of the upper house, a post he has held since 1968, seems a foregone conclusion.

The Socialist Party, which thought it might lose up to eight or nine seats in the Senate, was relieved to lose only five, leaving it with a respectable group of 62 senators. The limitation of its losses was due largely to the divisions within the UDF which led to dissident candidates splitting the centre-right vote.

The results reflect the swing to the right which has occurred in local government elections over the past four years rather than any shift in public opinion since the right's return to power in March.

It was thought that the Haute Garonne by-election might provide a better test of the Chirac Government's popularity. But there were few surprises. The distribution of the eight seats in the *département* were the same as in the March election — four for the RPR-UDF coalition and four for the Socialists.

M Dominique Baudis, the Mayor of Toulouse, who was leading the RPR-UDF list, did well to improve the right's score by three points to almost 46 per cent.

On the other hand, M Lionel Jospin, first secretary of the Socialist Party, who was heading the Socialist list, obtained 37.4 per cent of the vote, compared with 37.9 per cent in March.

M Jospin, who had no previous link with the Haute Garonne, said that he will give up his Paris seat to represent the *département*, which will now become his political base.

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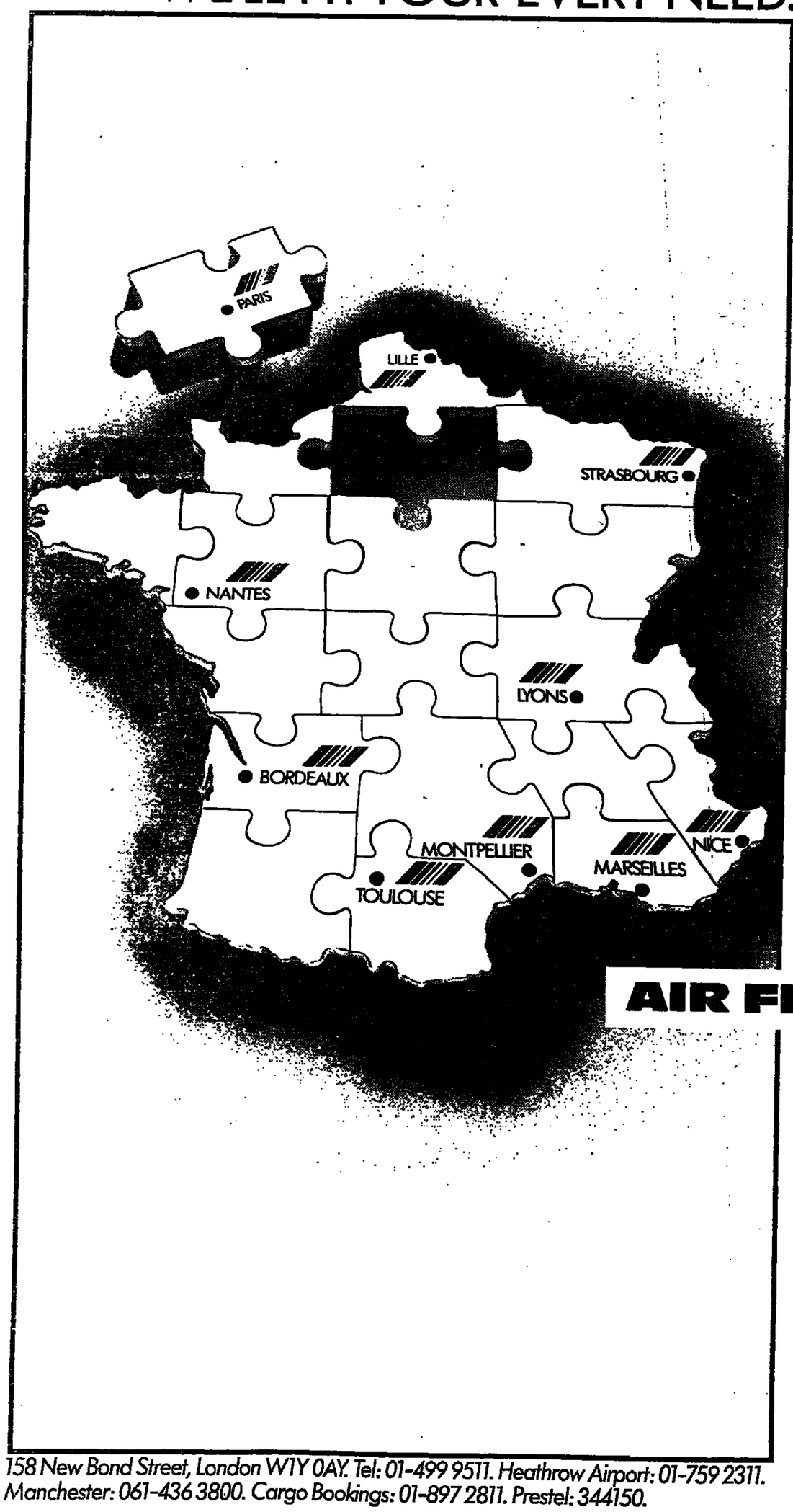

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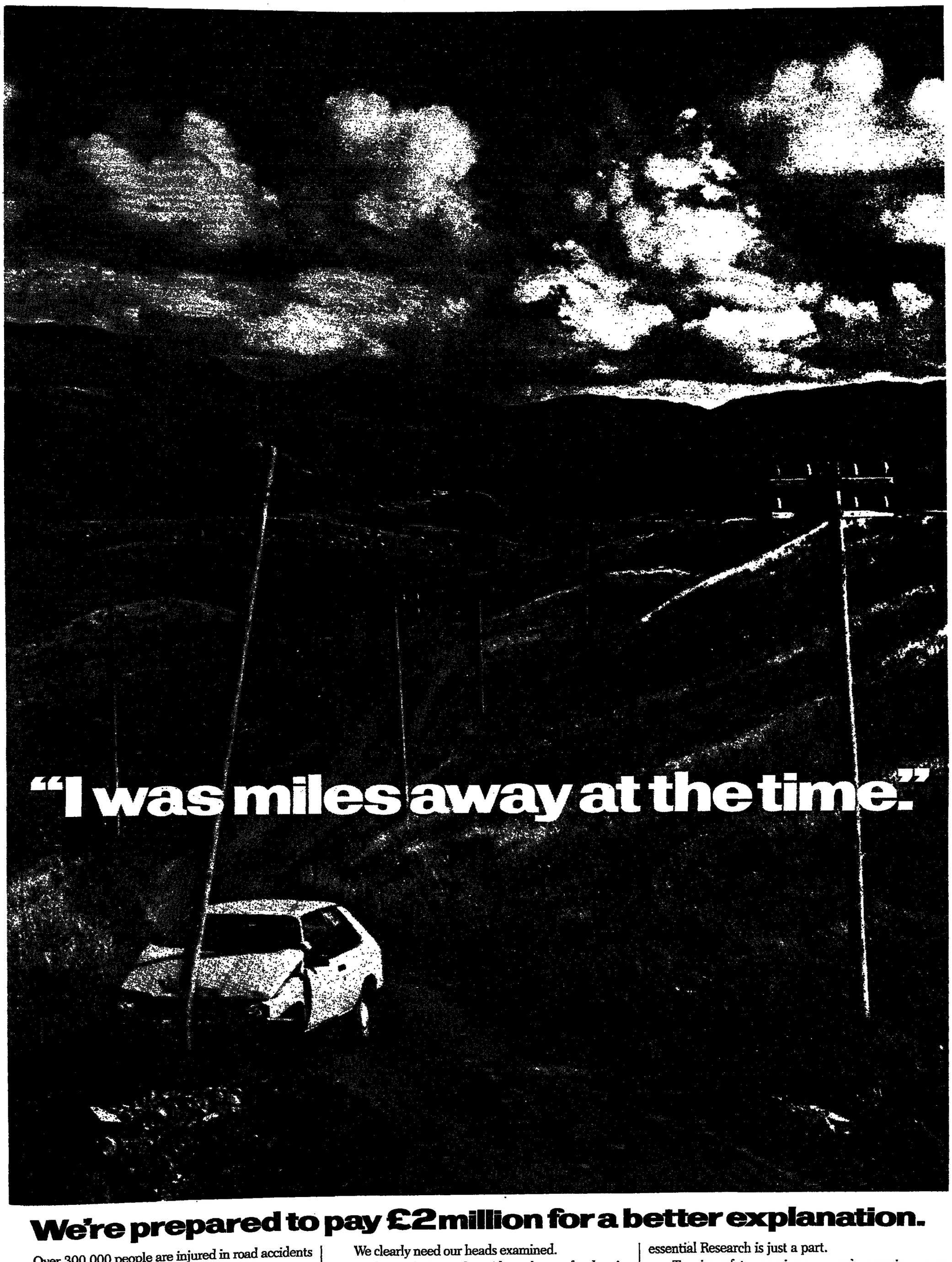

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Three killed in Punjab bazaar as terrorists turn attention to left

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

The unremitting terrorist campaign in the fertile north Indian state of Punjab continued yesterday as two killers riding a scooter fired at random into an early-morning bazaar crowd in Jullundur.

Three people died on the spot, and two others were taken to hospital seriously wounded.

The towns of Punjab have a predominently Hindu population, and several incidents of random murder have led both to a deep sense of insecurity among them and to considerable emigration to neighbouring Haryana or Delhi.

Yesterday police had to fire shots in the air to disperse an angry mob of Hindus throwing stones and bent on avenging the deaths.

The past week has seen a daily stream of two or three murders, although some are undoubtedly as a result of normal violent crime.

One new development in the terrorist campaign is plain, however: the gunmen are now turning their attention to specific left-wing targets.

Over the weekend, two prominent leftists were killed. One was Mr Darshan Singh Canadian, aged 68, a national council member of the Communist Party of India, who was shot as he rode a bicycle to his village.

He was well known in the British communist movement, and was a former member of the Punjab legislature who earned his surname from a 30-year stay in Canada.

His funeral was attended by the central Home Minister, Mr Buta Singh, and the State Governor, Mr S.S. Ray.

The other leftist killed was Mr Baldev Singh Mann, a leading member of the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party. He was returning home in a rickshaw.

Throughout the wave of killings police in Punjab have recorded a growing number of arrests of hardline terrorists.

Fourteen were captured in various parts of the state on Friday and another five the day before. Nine were taken a week ago, including one said to have killed the commanding brigadier at Ramgarh in Bihar during the mutiny of Sikh soldiers which followed the storming of the Golden Temple of Amritsar in 1984.

Police in the rest of the country have also been picking up members of the gang said to have been responsible for the murder of General A.S Vaidya, the former Army Chief of Staff.

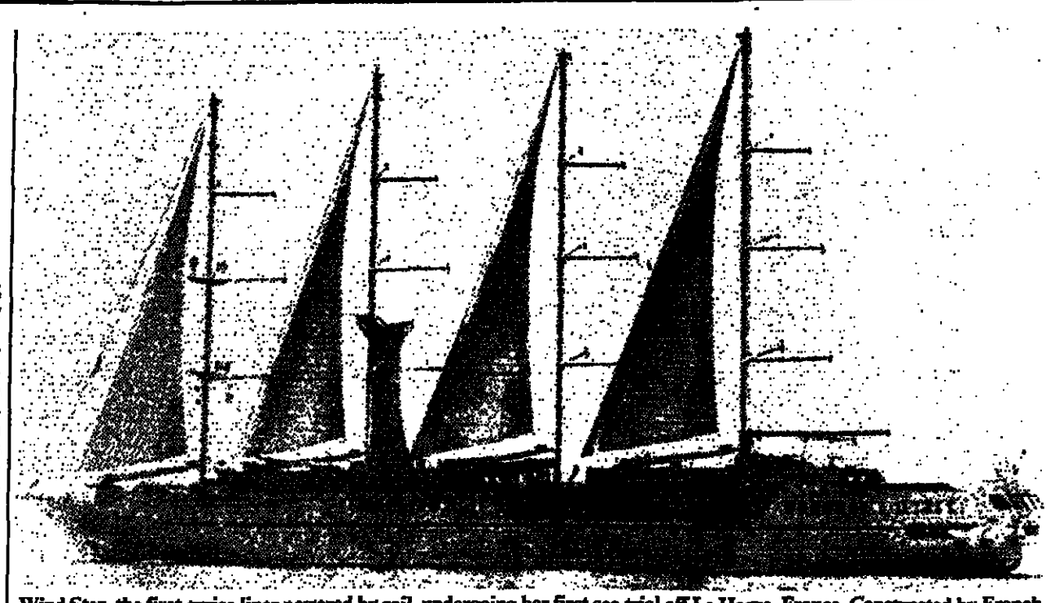
The state Home Ministry said that police administration in Punjab, together with their mobility and communications systems, had been improved. Sixty new Jeeps had been employed and new VHF radios had replaced obsolete equipment.

Mr Surjit Singh Barnala, who recently celebrated the first anniversary of his taking office as Chief Minister, has felt able to describe his tenure as having put the state on the road to normality.

He claimed that the security situation had improved "by and large".

He explained that he had resisted the central Government's attempt to create a security belt, out of the control of the state government, along the border with Pakistan, and "through hard struggle" had been able to retain for Punjab two rice- and cotton-rich Hindi-speaking areas destined to be given to Haryana.

He had been able to restore confidence to Sikhs outside Punjab, whose migration to the state was now being discouraged, and about 200 Hindu families who had left had been persuaded to return.



Wind Star, the first cruise liner powered by sail, undergoing her first sea trial off Le Havre, France. Constructed by French shipbuilders for Windstar Sail Cruises of the United States, the 440ft vessel was launched in November and is the forerunner of three or four similar liners. She is expected to make her maiden voyage to the Caribbean in a few weeks.

Thousands stricken by floods in Bangladesh

From Ahmed Fazl, Dhaka

Eleven people died and more than 50,000 were left homeless in six days of floods which have ravaged seven districts of south-western Bangladesh, rescue officials reached by telephone said yesterday.

The State-run radio reported five deaths in Jessore district, where more than 37,000 homes had been destroyed, and local officials said that three people died in the neighbouring Kushtia town, and three more in Satkhira district.

President Ershad supervised rescue operations and the distribution of emergency food supplies in affected areas.

● DELHI: Mr Raviv Gandhi, the Prime Minister of India, yesterday toured badly-hit areas in West Bengal state as the death toll from floods rose to 26 (AFP reports).

Sri Lanka challenges Amnesty's report

From Vijitha Yapa, Colombo

The Sri Lankan Government yesterday rejected a recent Amnesty International report, *Disappearences in Sri Lanka*, and challenged the human rights organization to allow the Government to defend itself.

The reply by Professor Tilak Ratnakara, chairman of the Government Media Centre, also asserts that "a statement or sworn affidavit by itself, accompanied by other statements and affidavits seeming to corroborate one another, is not a legally acceptable, truthful and valid document unless subjected to cross examination by the party accused of such disappearences."

The Government claims that the reasons for the so-called disappearances include people assuming aliases when they join guerrilla groups.

Argentine bankers in £78m scandal

From Eduardo Cué
Buenos Aires

Seven senior bank officials, including the president and vice-president of the thirteenth largest private bank, are under arrest in connection with a scheme which has defrauded the Argentine Government of $110 million (£78 million) in export credits.

The scheme was carried out over two years allegedly by directors of the Banco Alas. Despite the release on Saturday of three senior Argentine Central Bank export officials held in connection with the case, speculation has continued in government and financial circles that it could not have been carried out without the collaboration of high government officials.

The president of the Central Bank, Señor José Luis Machinea, last week admitted to "deficiencies" in his bank's internal control structure and said: "Corruption continues to exist in the financial system."

In all, 13 senior Banco Alas officers have been arrested since Señor Machinea announced the fraud at a press conference on September 19, causing a brief run on deposits in spite of government assurances that the bank would not be allowed to collapse.

The Central Bank has taken over the operations of Banco Alas for a 180-day period, and last week it operated normally despite the scandal.

Suspicions at the Central Bank about Banco Alas activities were confirmed with the discovery that only $300,000 of the $110 million in letters of export credits it had filed could be verified. Investigation showed that 16 of the 20 companies on a list of exporters to whom Banco Alas said it had extended credits did not exist, and the four others denied any business relationship with the bank.

The bank, which had not previously specialized in export financing, had claimed $110 million of a total $700 million in credits made available by the Government this year to spur industrial exports.

Police alleged last week that they found the equivalent of $750,000 in cash in a Mercedes-Benz belonging to the bank's vice-president, Señor Jorge Gaspar Dachini. They said that a search of a bank director's home turned up a number of Swiss and American bank accounts in the names of bank officials.

There are suspicions that senior Central Bank officials are involved. The missing $110 million represents 150 per cent of Banco Alas's total loans and 425 per cent of its assets.

A Central Bank investigation in June of Banco Alas's operations revealed only "minor irregularities".

Ceasefire agreement likely soon

From Keith Dalton
Manila

The Philippines Government expects to sign a ceasefire agreement with Communist rebels perhaps within 48 hours, the chief negotiator, Mr Ramon Mitra, said yesterday.

Certain details of the 30-day renewal ceasefire, including the setting up of a national panel to monitor the truce, still have to be thrashed out at another secret meeting of the negotiating panel, he said.

The probable ceasefire pact will be based on a compromise agreement proposed on Saturday by two rebel negotiators, Mr Satur Ocampo and Mr Antonio Zumel, representing the National Democratic Front (NDF), a left-wing alliance dominated by the outlawed Communist Party.

The Government will not charge the former armed forces chief, General Fabian Ver, over the assassination in 1983 of President Aquino's husband, Benigno, to ensure that he does not try to return from exile in Hawaii, the chief prosecutor, Mr Raul Gonzales, said yesterday.

Suicide protest against Japan railways sell-off

From David Watts, Tokyo

The notion that Japanese society swiftly and painlessly adapts to change is quickly dispelled by the number of deaths attributed to opposition to the planned privatization of Japanese National Railways (JNR).

Already there have been 37 suicides and one murder since the Government proposed the break-up of the national railway system into regional parcels to be sold off to the private sector despite enormous deficits.

Yesterday the latest victim, a young engineer, was found hanged in northern Japan and at the weekend another young railway worker in his early 20s jumped off the roof of his five-storey dormitory in protest against the plan.

Many of the deaths are left unexplained, but Mr Hiroki Takano's suicide dive was provoked by suggestions that if he wanted to keep his job with JNR he had better leave the union.

"I stake my life to oppose the proposed split by JNR and the monopolistic capitalists," he said in his suicide note. If the message sounded ideological, it is some distance from the whole story.

Like most other workers in such an organization, Mr Takano joined with the notion that he would be working for the national railway system for the rest of his life.

But, like thousands of other railway workers, he had to swallow his pride last April when the management reassigned him from his previous job as a motorman.

For many men like him it would not have been so bad if he had moved to something similar, but Mr Takano's new career was as a tea-shop waiter in one of the myriad side businesses that the railway has set up to try to absorb excess manpower.

From bookshops to teahouses, there is no knowing where a former motorman may end if he stays within the organization. Perhaps luckier are those moved to outside corporations which have been instructed by the Government to take on displaced JNR workers.

For strong trade unionists the problem is more fundamental. The national union of Japanese railway workers, Kokuro, is the last strong nationally-based blue-collar union in Japan. Most unions are in-house and consequently unable to mobilize significant numbers of people on national and international issues.

Many unionists feel betrayed by their leaders and so far Kokuro has not been able to bridge a vast gulf between those supporting the union leadership and those still holding out against privatization.

In the best traditions of Japanese society, the Kokuro leadership must obtain a consensus before announcing a new policy. But that is still a long way and probably several suicides away.

Greek envoys go on strike for more pay

Athens (Reuter) — Greek diplomats abroad and administrative staff at the Foreign Ministry in Athens began a 48-hour strike yesterday for more pay and improved benefits, ministry sources said.

Diplomats said that they had been affected by the austerity package of the Prime Minister, Mr Andreas Papandreou, and had received no pay rise since 1981.

About 415 diplomats and 1,400 domestic employees were involved, sources said.

Bhopal gas victims held after protest

Bhopal (Reuter) — About 2,000 victims of the gas disaster here in 1984 were detained briefly by police yesterday after a peaceful demonstration demanding the 1,500 rupees (£80) promised to each affected family and better medical treatment.

The march, organized by the opposition Bharatiya Janata Party, was the climax of three days of protests. Victims say they have received no compensation after the Union Carbide leak.

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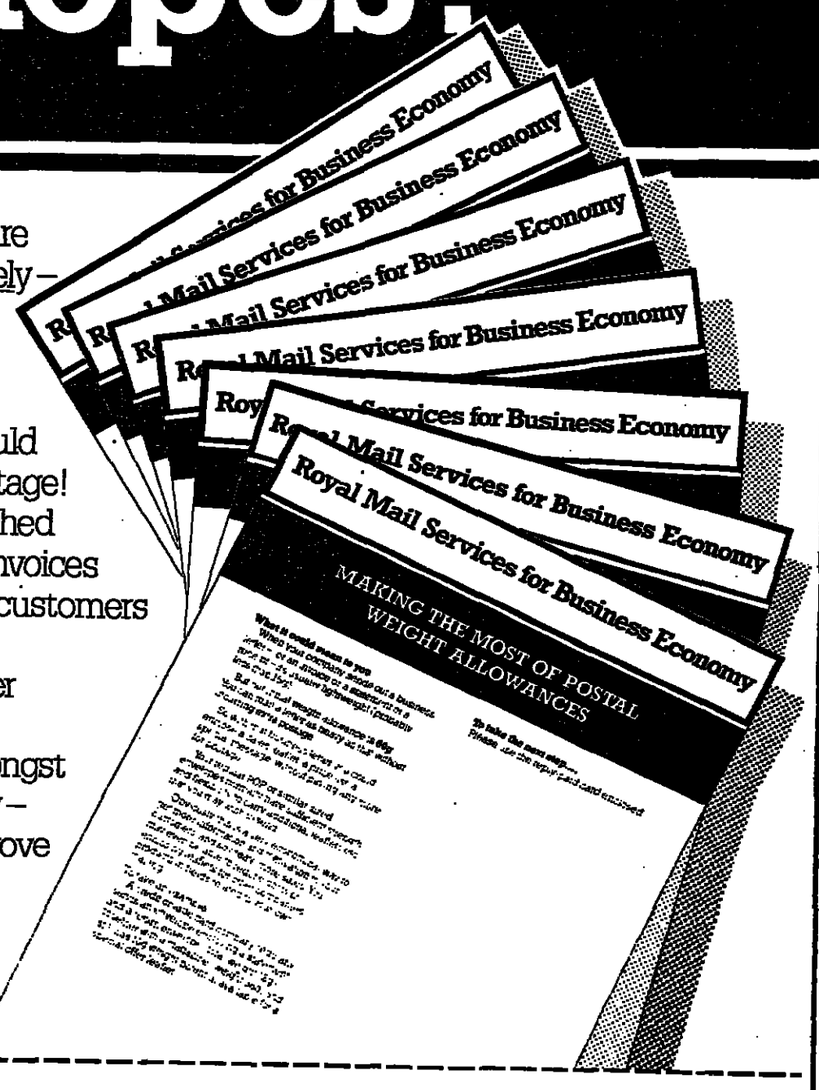

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The land of dynasty tunes in to Dallas

CHANGING CHINA

The Queen leaves next week for her first visit to China. What will she find? Brian James went back to the country he visited five years ago and discovered that westernization has brought dramatic changes. Photographs by Graham Wood

Contrast in culture: a peasant farmer returns home from the fields near Peking with his ghetto blaster, linking China's rural past with the new western-influenced consumer society

Part 1: East goes West

That Greater Wall of China — the barrier of distancing contempt for "barbaric" Westerners with which the Chinese have surrounded themselves for 10,000 years — is down and the world, we are told, is about to swarm in.

The Queen, who arrives on October 12, will be among the one million visitors permitted to gawp at the 244 Chinese cities now officially "open" in a land where most of her ancestors would have required covering fire from a gunboat to penetrate a mile inland.

The changes in ancient China qualify as the eighth wonder of our modern world, always provided such a list could include logically something that was not there, say, three years ago and will not appear tomorrow as it does today. The Queen will see most of traditional China. The other 999,999 visitors will make their obeisance at the tombs and also select from a menu of opportunity that includes the chance to play golf in the valley of the Ming tombs, marvel at the site where China's own Disneyland is sprouting up, or learn to shoot with the People's Army.

Will China soon, then, be no more than another stop on the tourist high road, an open, tamed wildlife park, part of the cultural Esperanto that enables even the least adventurous to have a

Volvo, Toyota and Mercedes cars cruise the highways

Kellogg's breakfast in sight of the Khyber Pass and dine at McDonalds in the heart of Amazonia?

China will be a burden on our imagination for ever because our ignorance remains total. One person in five on the planet is Chinese, yet we have seldom penetrated their land, and never their heads. To a being from outer space, their isolation would be incomprehensible: rather like coming to this planet, covered as it is seven-tenths by water, to hear that few of us could swim and we have never learned to build a boat. If we feel that China is a puzzle that soon will be unravelled, we delude ourselves. I say this against the evidence of my own eyes, for the scale and pace of change since a previous visit five years ago is no less than astounding.

The ambushes of surprise begin at the airport, which I had remembered as functional and desolate; the architectural style was Russian Municipal, a mock-marble blockhouse; a handful of functionaries stared as you toted your own bags.

Now there are slick lines processing the passports: lines for *Them, Us and swift special passage* for diplomats and cadres. You emerge then into a maul of men wanting to whistle you up a cab, steer you to a hotel of their choice, not yours, or advise you *sotto voce* where you can change money to advantage — again theirs, not yours.

The centre of Peking used to come with a comforting familiarity to first-time visitors: like Piccadilly's Eros, the awaiting postcard view. The pagodas, the walls of the Forbidden City, are still where they were supposed to be, but now the incoming eye has to take in the tower-block offices, the high-rise hotels. Bits of Peking skyline now are more Dallas than dynasty.

Five years ago the 10-kilometre Avenue of Eternal Peace, which is a straight-line axis for the city, was the place to stare at 10,000 bicycles, scarcely impeded by the handful of 1950s-style cabs that stopped for no one, least of all would-be fares. No more. Now Peking has the most modern taxi fleet surely on earth: this year's Volvos, Toyotas and Mercedes cruise nose to tail along the six centre lanes.

Five years ago my hotel had no lock on the door. A mournful man would enter without a knock or word and slam down a fresh thermos of hot green tea or cold water and towels. Never soap. Today 13 items of scent, shampoo and after-shave cluster around the tap.

Then, entertainment for Western high-livers was a beer-only bar on the ninth floor. Now there are about nine restaurants in the hotel where I lodged. Like the other eighty — perhaps I should repeat, *eighty* hotels — under plan or construction, they will serve you food, flown in from all corners of the world.

Trips to the many markets are not the fun they were. Five years ago you walked in swarming crowds, with little sense of personal space for themselves, who nevertheless permitted you an oasis of freedom. It was kindly meant and also gave them an opportunity to stand back and stare. Today strolling, meandering Westerners are as popular as Swedish backpackers on the rush-hour Tube.

The Chinese of the capital are a species that has changed its spots. Five years back the notion that they all wore blue Mao suits, except those few rugged individualists who wore grey, was a cliché not refuted by fact. Now enough *polyester glides past by cycle every* day to girdle the earth, and some of the stripes and patterns are glittering and gaudy enough to encourage the belief that the shirts come marked "Batteries Extra".

To proceed further with this catalogue of China's superficial changes would be to risk the gravest of crimes — to make China boring — especially as there are more interesting side-alleys to peer *into, such as examples of how* China has imported, too, some of the urban problems of the West.

Certainly China is alive with enterprise, which translates into youths busy recycling bicycle spokes to sell from home-made stalls, to alley-entrance food stores and front-room restaurants opening, often literally, before your eyes. In one street I saw a dozen young men hunkered at the kerb. By their feet one had three paint brushes, *another* two screwdrivers, a third a saw and a sample of a mortise joint. These were workless, literally off their bikes to sit mutely offering their skills.

Nevertheless, with an estimated 200 million Chinese teenagers to be fitted into the economy, there must be a limit to the numbers that can be absorbed by even the galloping free-market micro-capitalism of Deng Xioping's *dramatic reform, following his* declared Open Door to Western ideas of enterprise. Already homeless teenagers pay a few fen (a fraction of a yuan) to sleep on the toilet floors of the Central Station.

Last month the first business in China to go bankrupt since 1949 was announced officially. So was an estimate that 40 per cent of the State's enterprises were running at a loss. So was the clear message that all managers should be aware that they run their enterprises for profit — or begin thinking of fresh careers.

For five years most workers have been able to claim production bonuses: soon they will also be able to collect their cards if they fall below target. In selected cases, unemployment benefit may become due. But the hard truth that the Chinese are starting to learn is that the free-market axe swinging *so joyfully at bureaucracy* and managerial incompetence can also leave blood on the factory floor — theirs.

Other consequences inevitably flow. The recent execution of two youngsters for mugging a visitor received headlines in the West. Chinese have had their own indications that street crime is no longer the thing of the past that it became with Liberation: posters *giving the names of miscreants* appear like a rash on street corners.

There is sleaze on the streets. The free-markets, which began with peasants selling their overproduction, now include factory off-cuts of western export orders and even some shoddy rip-offs, with labels like "Bukinghame (sic) Palace" — designer names palpably phoney to sell a style that is *predominantly Communist* Posh, circa Prague, 1960.

There is sleaze under cover: the "Yellow Trade". Peking for porn. A city-slicked young man was pointed out to me as being clever enough not only to import crude videos, but to hire a flat simply for his shows. This in a city still basically so puritanical that a popular weekly ballroom dance in a big grocery store was ended because *the couples* were getting too cuddly: the Last Tango in Tescos.

The privileges awarded among themselves by the Party hacks and the cadres, too, are changing: a decade ago they were confined to opportunities for softer work

The free-market axe can leave blood on the factory floor

tasks, safety from criticism. Now it is first pick of Western riches at special shops only they dare enter.

Even so, in the face of the manifest, quantum leap of Chinese standards of living within the decade, the change, by several *orders of magnitude, in apparent* attitude towards personal wealth and possession, the concomitant blemishes of a society running so hard to catch up that it inevitably scars its knees with a tumble, why not simply accept the fact that China is going West?

For the very good reason that I did not meet a single Westerner who lives in the land who believes it for a minute, nor a single educated Chinese who didn't warn me of the peril of projecting our wish onto their reality. The nation that in the 1790s sent King George III's emissary packing with a polite, "You have nothing that we need" (even though that messenger arrived at the head of a column of 6,000 coolies bearing gifts) is not to be overcome now by subjects of this Queen promising 6,000 container ships of electronic *marvels on the easiest of easy* terms.

Said one western diplomat: "China changing? That's a myth. They are simply doing what they have always done: they lift the curtain aside to allow us in to show them what we can offer. They will take what they want and bow us to the door. Tourists come here, spot a thousand kids in jeans, listen to the radio playing Geldof and go home spreading the word: 'Wow, they're just like us, deep down.' They are nothing of the sort.

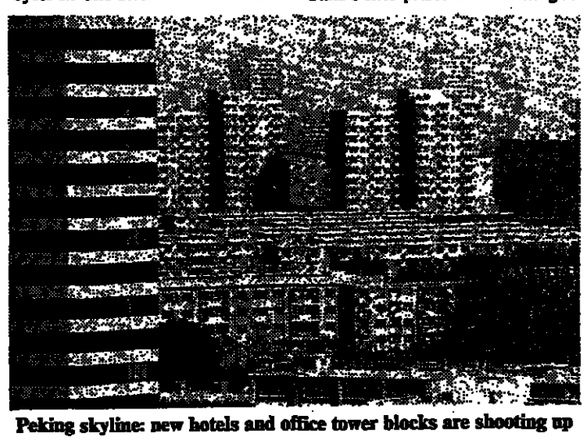
"Being Chinese is not a matter of nationality. It is an attitude of mind, a spiritual concept that is linked into the oldest of their ancestors and the newest building block on their land. And it is totally and permanently exclusive."

Another: "I have been here 10 years, speak the language fluently. Yet I would not claim to know a single Chinese. I do not say that in any spirit of complaint. I admire them hugely, for what they have endured, what they have achieved.

" But to go home to Britain saying I understand China would be as vain as for an intelligent ant to crawl across the dome of St Paul's and then scuttle back to his *hill claiming to have thus arrived* at a full and total understanding of Christianity. They permit us to busy about the surface of their world. No more."

TOMORROW

The China the Queen will not see



Peking skyline: new hotels and office tower blocks are shooting up

Vessels of seven fleets pay tribute

From Stephen Taylor
Sydney

A Royal Navy task group which is circumnavigating the world sailed into Sydney Harbour with vessels of six other navies yesterday, while anti-nuclear groups demonstrated from dozens of small craft bobbing in their wake.

Forty vessels, the largest concentration of warships ever gathered here, have come to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Royal Australian Navy.

Peace groups had promised a big protest, but the turn-out, estimated at 500, caused no disruption as Sydney turned its attention to playing host to 13,000 sailors for two weeks.

As well as the seven-ship British contingent, the RAN celebrations are being attended by the navies of the United States, New Zealand, Canada, France and Papua *New Guinea. On Saturday the* ships will be reviewed by the Duke of Edinburgh.

Yesterday, helicopters hovered overhead, and police patrol boats and port authority launches sped in every direction to keep demonstrators from approaching the ships.

Rear-Admiral Robin Hogg, commander of the Royal Navy task group, said that protests here and in Brisbane last week were the first encountered on the voyage, which has covered 33,000 miles and 15 countries.

He confirmed that there would be no further bilateral exercises with the Royal New Zealand Navy while the Lange Government adhered to its anti-nuclear policy.

This is the first time that a Royal Navy visiting group in the region is not calling at New Zealand ports, and the first time RN ships have refused to exercise with the RNZN.

Birth of an opposition party startles Taiwan's rulers

Taipei (Reuter) — Taiwan's opposition has challenged the might of the ruling Kuomintang (Nationalist) Party by defying martial law and setting up a party to fight in elections later this year.

The formation of the Democratic Progress Party by opposition politicians on Sunday has startled the Kuomintang, which has ruled Taiwan since 1949 when the Nationalists retreated here after being toppled from power by the Communists in China.

The challenge comes as the Kuomintang is discussing whether to extend democracy by relaxing martial law, under which new political parties are banned.

Political observers say that the new party will strengthen the hand of hardliners in the military and security forces who oppose liberalization and are concerned that the opposition is trying to create an *independent state. The* Kuomintang claims that it is the true government of mainland China.

The new party was established by 135 members of the opposition, which is loosely grouped under the name Tangwai — meaning "outside the (Nationalist) party". Its leaders are members of parliament and city and county councils.

It has nominated 42 candidates to stand in elections to Parliament in December and has said that it hopes to recruit 200,000 members before then.

President Chiang: anxious to secure his place in history.

Kuomintang sources say that party and internal security officials held an emergency meeting on Sunday and another yesterday to decide how to respond to the move. But there has been no official reaction.

Earlier this year, the Kuomintang began a political dialogue with the opposition by inviting its leaders to a series of informal dinners.

It established high-level committees to examine ways to relax martial law and to extend democracy by opening more seats in the national Government to election.

The opposition began flexing its muscles by setting up permanent offices which recruited members and acted as a political party in all but name.

Analysts said reform is being sponsored by President Chiang Ching-kuo, who is now aged 76 and anxious to secure his place in history.

Opposition sources say that the party has been planned for several years.

Opposition to Alcázar plan grows

From Richard Wigg
Madrid

Opposition is mounting to *the plan by Spain's socialist* Defence Minister to turn one of the most famous symbols of the Civil War, the Alcázar Fortress in Toledo, into a cultural centre.

Extreme right-wingers, including many in blue shirts, on Sunday shouted slogans like "the Alcázar is ours, it will never surrender" and "the Alcázar only for the Army".

The demonstrators, who included such well-known figures as Señor Blas Pinar, who plans soon to launch himself into active politics again with a French-style ultra-nationalist movement, had ignored pleas for reconciliation over the Fortress from Monsignor Marcelo Gonzalez, Cardinal Primate of Toledo.

Señor Narcis Serra, the Defence Minister, revealed on *a recent visit to the city that he* had agreed to all or part of the Fortress being made available to the Socialist-run autonomous regional government of Castile-la-Mancha.

The Fortress houses a museum dedicated to the 1936 siege, seen solely from the perspective of the Franco side and local army headquarters.

The regional government envisages the vast Fortress, which is at present under-used by the Army, housing a library, which would include a collection of books by Spaniards forced into exile by Franco's victory, an exhibition and concert areas.

But the Spanish Army general staff, in a statement issued before Sunday's demonstrations, had already stated firmly that the Defence Ministry will not give up the Fortress.

Leaders held after death bid go free

Pinochet moderates state of siege

From Lake Sagaris, Santiago

Three weeks after a stage of siege was declared in Chile, some of those arrested have been released, and the Italian news agency Ansa has been allowed to resume work.

The state of siege was declared after some 15 armed men ambushed the convoy of President Pinochet, killing five bodyguards and gravely injuring several others.

The next day four men associated with left-wing opposition groups were dragged from their homes during curfew hours. Their bullet-riddled bodies were discovered in the days that followed.

A group calling itself the "September 11 Commando" claimed responsibility for the latter killings in revenge for the attack on General Pinochet and has threatened to kill more opposition leaders.

A series of attempted kidnappings, midnight raids on homes and death threats has been reported by Chilean journalists, lawyers and other opposition figures, most of whom still dare not sleep at home for fear of attack.

Chile's detective force has repeatedly denied involvement in the killings. It has repainted its cars and announced identification procedures to ensure that its members may be distinguished from the anonymous commando.

In an interview in *El Mercurio*, Señor Francisco Cuadra, one of President Pinochet's most loyal ministers, said that the Government believed the four men *had been shot by their own* comrades as part of internal purges.

But the fact that the death squad operated during curfew hours, with the state of siege in force and Santiago under strict military and police control, makes this difficult to accept.

Although some government supporters say that the state of siege is insufficient and that an Argentina-style dirty war against "extremists" should be carried out, other sectors of the Government seem to be holding them back.

Señor Andrés Domínguez of the Human Rights Commission said that the number of arrests, death threats and incidents of torture had increased under the state of siege. But the level of repression (apart from the banning of most opposition media) was not so different from more "normal" times.

On Friday the Government released Señor Andrea Palma, a student leader, and Señor Ricardo Lagos, leader of the moderate wing of the Socialist Party which forms part of the centre-conservative Democratic Alliance.

Twelve people remain in police custody and another 13 are in the hands of the CNI, the political police.

One objective of the repression seems to have been the isolation and paralysis of the *influential Communist* Party.

In a clandestine interview, Señor Manuel Almeyda, who heads the Socialist Party — the Communist Party's most important ally — said that members of the Democratic Alliance had invited his party to join a new political group which would exclude the Communists.

But he said that the traditional co-operation between the two parties was stronger than ever and that there was a good chance that one of Chile's smaller left-wing parties might reach an agreement with the Socialist-Communist coalition.

Señor Gabriel Valdes, president of the Christian Democratic Party, Chile's largest, suggested that the real purpose of the state of siege was to intimidate the opposition.

He reiterated to journalists his party's willingness to negotiate with the armed forces and its rejection of the 1980 constitution drawn up by the military Government.

He emphasized that in the face of the growing violence, the only alternatives in Chile were "the rifle or the vote ... democracy or dictatorship".

Lives lost in monastery fire near Moscow

MOSCOW (Reuter) — Several people were killed when fire broke out at the 14th-century Zagorsk Monastery north-east of Moscow, a centre of Russian Orthodoxy, Tass said yesterday.

The news agency reported that the fire, in the seminary building of the Trinity and St Sergei Monastery, caused some "loss of life" but no *damage to the religious centre.*

A spokeswoman at the monastery said that an investigation was in progress.

Police in refugee racket

From Neil Kelly, Bangkok

Police and officials in south-east Thailand are smuggling refugees from Vietnam and *Cambodia into the country for* £130 to £250 head.

Observers say that the racket has been going on for years, with Thai fishing boats picking up refugees from the coast of Cambodia or from other vessels at sea.

They are then smuggled into coastal areas of Thailand, where some obtain forged identity papers showing that *they are Thai citizens.*

Others smuggle their way into refugee camps near the Cambodian border where they try to secure asceptance for resettlement in Western countries.

A few become marauding bandits along the border, where they live off what they can steal from Thai villagers.

Thailand has closed its border with Cambodia to all refugees trying to enter. Those who arrive there are confined to displaced persons' camps on the border.

There they are not classified as refugees and are not eligible for resettlement in other countries.

More firepower for Afghan rebels

By Nicholas Beeston

Afghan guerrillas have improved their anti-aircraft arsenal with a new rapid-fire gun and sophisticated missiles, according to reports from the *region.*

One report in this week's *Time* magazine said that the rebels have as many as 40 Swiss-made Oerlikon 20 mm guns, giving them their first effective weapon against the Soviet Mi 24 helicopter gunships which have inflicted heavy losses on the rebels.

Other eyewitness accounts said that two Soviet helicopters had been shot down on Thursday by sophisticated hand-held missiles, possibly US-made Stingers.

The Afghan Islamic Agency, which is close to the rebel movement, said that the helicopters had been attacked by unidentified missiles

A house of cards, built on sand

HOME FRONT

The house price explosion has been a disaster for many couples but who will cork the bottle? Even if anyone can, the chances of a realistic market do not look very good

Part 2: The castle under siege

If an Englishman's home is his castle, it is under assault from all sides. And if he lowered the drawbridge to let us look over his property, we might be shocked to find that he is struggling to stave off eviction by doing without a car, holidays and nights out and he has not married his partner in order to save tax so that he can pay the mortgage.

But married couples can also get caught in a vicious circle: the worry caused by heavy mortgages often strains a marriage to breaking point. And, upon break up, one partner either will not or cannot contribute to the mortgage payments. Result, repossession.

Exaggeration? Isolated instances? Not according to the research. One in every 20 people with a mortgage — 300,000 in all — is seriously in arrears, says a study by Dr John Doling of Birmingham University's Centre for Urban Regional Studies.

Official figures show the number of homes being repossessed running at record levels: 10,870 in 1984 to 16,770 last year, a jump of 54 per cent. And renewed money market pressure last night for higher interest rates, including the cost of mortgages, would exacerbate the situation.

The Times has spoken to young engaged couples who have found mortgage brokers sounding more like marriage brokers: get married or get a house, but you can't do both. The reason: tax relief on their incomes assessed separately provided they are single.

The situation looks like getting worse unless there is action soon. Warnings from every quarter — the Bank of England to agitprop housing groups — talk of the need for everything from controls on easy credit to a national "hotline" to help desperate owners running up debts.

But the Government is not at present contemplating anything more than "voluntary action" while attempts to provide help for home owners in trouble have been stymied by a lack of funds.

Housing groups around the country claim that the race to get onto the property ladder is creating the very problem it is supposed to solve — homelessness. Jerome Monahan, of the London Housing Aid Centre (SHAC) says: "People are becoming homeless through repossessions which have been brought about by the irresponsible lending policies of building societies. People are being encouraged to buy something they simply can't afford."

The bigger building societies, however, blame the smaller ones, which they say are offering "ridiculous" sums in order to compete in the market.

So the housing boom, which in theory should be good for most people involved in it, turns out to be a nightmare for those not already sitting in an appreciating asset on which they have a relatively comfortable mortgage and a secure income.

But what is the likelihood of a downturn in the market: and would it make much difference?

The big guns of lending do not see foresee a collapse. The Halifax, Britain's largest building society, says: "We do not expect the rate of increase to continue, but on the other hand we do not predict a collapse in house prices. If the Halifax had any such concern, we would feel it our duty to warn existing and new borrowers."

But it admits that a sudden fall in prices could be triggered if the market was suddenly 'flooded' with housing or if there was a fall in demand for housing — both highly unlikely.

A rapid fall in real (after inflation) incomes could also spark a collapse, or "an overnight removal of mortgage interest tax relief or a dramatic increase in mortgage interest rates" — again unlikely. "Even the rapid and substantial changes we saw in some of these areas in the 1970s and early 1980s failed to bring about any widespread decline in house prices," the Halifax concludes.

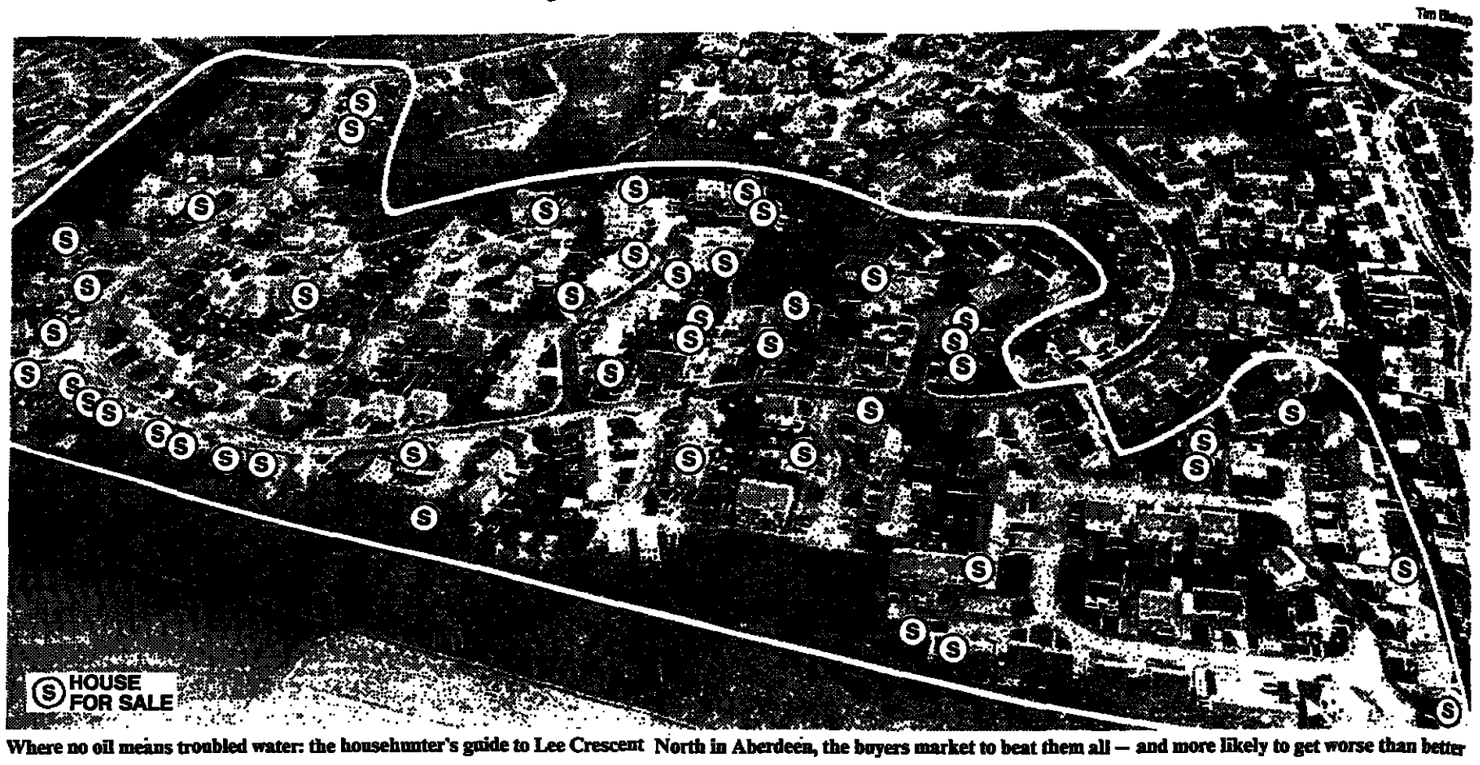
Patrick Foley, economist with Lloyds Bank, detects no signs which could lead to a collapse, but he believes that some fall in real house prices is inevitable eventually, probably not for another two years or so.

This assessment is based partly on long-term trends and partly on the likely change in the relationship between earnings and inflation. He predicts that while the increase in real incomes will slow down, inflation could rise slowly to around 5 per cent, with the result that real disposable incomes will be lower, meaning less money to spend on buying a house. At the same time, Foley admits, nominal prices for houses are much less likely to fall.

Social security is another factor which helps to prop up the housing market. Although the number of householders in arrears on their loan repayments is increasing, they would be a lot higher but for the social security cushioning given to many people.

With the publication of major reports on housing in the last year, including inquiries headed by the Duke of Edinburgh and the Archbishop of Canterbury, there is acknowledgement that change is needed. And with a general election on the horizon, the ringing of political alarm bells could spark a reaction in the market. But whoever wins the election, and whatever measures they take, it will be too late to do much for the growing army of people who find that their castle is under siege.

A *Times* investigation by Jack Crossley, Christopher Warman and Michael Dynes



Where no oil means troubled water: the househunter's guide to Lee Crescent North in Aberdeen, the buyers market to beat them all — and more likely to get worse than better

Des. res. for sale, choice of 45

A property boom should mean a sellers' market, but try telling that to Paul and Dorothy Gersok. They have been trying to sell a home in Lee Crescent North, Aberdeen, for 18 months. They are not alone.

No fewer than 45 houses are up for sale in the crescent, or just over one in ten, and the main reason is the world oil-price slump which has hit Britain's premier oil town at a cost of 7,000 jobs. And with the Royal Bank of Scotland forecasting anything between 5,000 and 11,000 more jobs at risk over the next three years, prospects are bleak for the Gersoks and their neighbours.

"We expected to be out last summer but now we are keeping our fingers crossed for next summer before our eldest son starts secondary school," said Mrs Gersok. Mr Gersok, an engineer, moved the family to Aberdeen four years ago to get work in the then-buoyant oil industry. The house cost £42,500.

"We are asking £45,000 which is the lowest we can go to break even but so far nobody is interested," said Mrs Gersok.

"Some of our neighbours have had to sell for less than they paid out of desperation. I hope it doesn't come to that for us."

There are more than 5,000 unsold houses in north-east of Scotland, half of them in Aberdeen. Normally the number of properties for sale in the region would be between 1,200 and 2,000.

Hardship worse as more redundancies are announced

Aberdeen solicitors, who handle 95 per cent of the property market, estimate that the average selling price of a house has dropped by 1.4 per cent in the last year.

The fall, however, is not spread evenly; the bottom end of the market is hardest hit, particularly with first time buyers who took on 100 per cent package deals which included carpets and other fittings.

Ken Ferguson, Aberdeen manager of the Abbey National, said: "The problem is that there are so many redundancies in the oil industry and people are having to leave the city but nobody is coming in to create the market. This is causing real hardship with people being unable to pay their mortgages or bridging loans."

Mr Ferguson said that during the previous buoyant period his office would be handling perhaps seven or eight repossessions in a year. The figure is now approaching 50 a year, although he emphasized this was still about the national average.

In an attempt to move houses, companies like Barrett have been offering exchange deals under which they buy a house back at the full market value, as long as the occupant then buys a more expensive house from the same company.

This has helped people with growing families who were looking for a bigger house anyway, though it may only have encouraged them to invest even more in property that is unlikely to hold its real value. It also means that smaller houses remain empty.

The state of the property market is forcing big companies to offer cheap bridging loans to employees who are asked to move their jobs to other offices outside the city.

An oil company executive who has recently moved from Aberdeen back to London claimed that the "crisis" had been exaggerated. "Part of the trouble is that houses in Aberdeen have become very over-priced. If people did not ask silly prices and were prepared to take what a similar house costs in Glasgow or Edinburgh, they would have a much better chance of selling.

But he admitted that companies could be helping to keep prices artificially high by offering employees guarantees up to a certain limit and then insisting that the full market value is asked.

Over-pricing a factor in latest crisis

TOMORROW

Political options

Getting to grips with gazumpers

Found and lost: Lesley Aldridge and the home she set her heart on

After a wearying search, 24-year-old midwife Lesley Aldridge was delighted when she found the home she wanted at a price she could afford. Lesley signed the contract, moved out of a nurses' home and went on holiday, expecting to move into her two-up, two-down when she returned.

Instead, she found herself homeless — she had been gazumped. And she claims that the Abbey National, Britain's second largest building society, did the gazumping.

The two-bedroom house in St Mary Cray, Kent, had carried a price tag of £37,500. But when the Abbey National, which had repossessed it from a mortgage defaulter, had it revalued, the price soared to £44,800, which is beyond Lesley's means.

Abbey National, which denies gazumping because it will be the mortgage defaulter and not the society which gets the extra cash, blames the 1962 Building Societies Act for the mess. The law says that building societies act as trustees for the person whose home they repossess and have a legal responsibility to get the best price.

The Abbey National admits that the situation is unfair on the nurse and that revaluations midway through a sale are "not normal." But they add that property prices had risen substantially in the area. "This case involves an overriding legal duty on the part of the society and, possibly, different moral pressures which may appear to conflict," says their legal department. The society has since dropped the price to Miss Aldridge to £42,000.

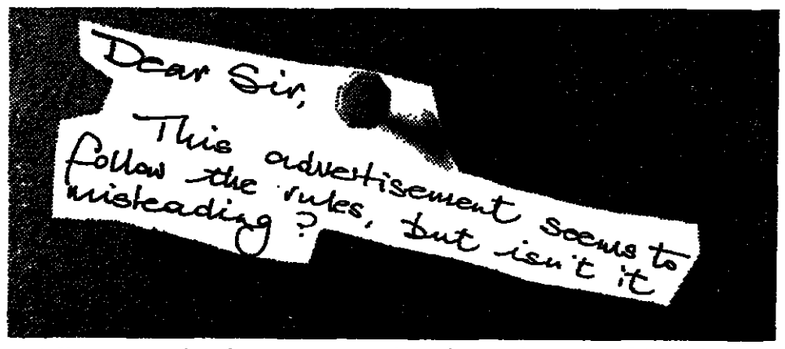
Whatever the merits of Lesley's case, it is unusual; gazumping as such certainly is not — especially during a boom. Gazumping is as dubious a practice as the word is of dubious origin, but it means that the seller raises the price after an agreement to sell it at a certain price. It occurs before contracts are exchanged, so it is not illegal.

It has not been as widespread as in the booms of the 1970s, but plenty of it has come to light, particularly in the fashionable parts of London. Recently, an offer of £125,000 was accepted for an unmodernised three bedroom house in Fulham. Then a second buyer appeared and the house was eventually sold for £142,000, but in this case gazumping had its honourable side — the vendor paid the victim's expenses.

In general, estate agents oppose a law to control gazumping nor do they think the answer lies with the Scottish system of house-buying, where acceptance of an offer is binding on both parties. The snag is that all the preparation for buying, including surveys and finance, has to be done in advance of the offer, in which case there can be several people who have paid fees, and only one winner.

Peter Short of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors says gazumping could be countered by measures to speed up the buying process. And Mark Boleat, secretary-general of the Building Societies Association, agrees. "You should not try to treat the symptoms, but the cause, which is the length of time it takes to buy. If local authority searches and legal work are speeded up, there is no reason why a contract should not be signed in two or three weeks."

The Law Commission is expected to report to the Government by the end of the year on ways to combat gazumping. Mr John Patten, Minister for Housing, told *The Times* that the Government wants to stop it, preferably by self-regulation. "But legislation is not ruled out," he said.



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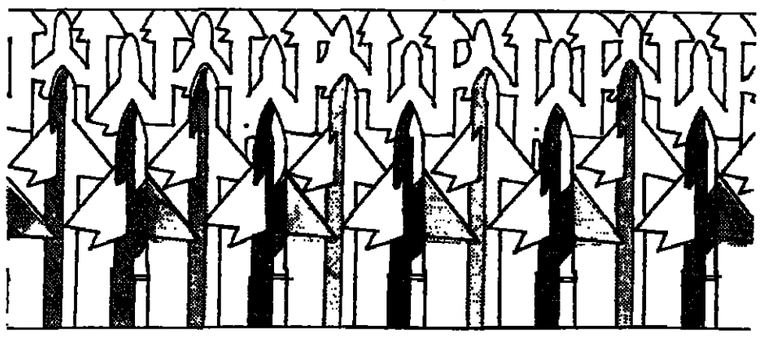

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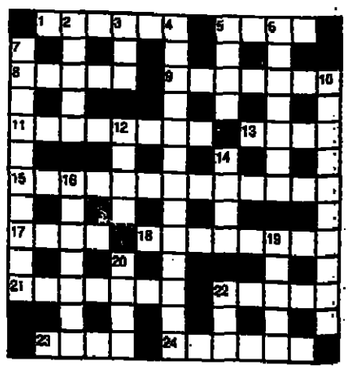

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FASHION by Suzy Menkes

Designer diffusion

The international collections open in Milan next weekend, showing off all that is new in fashion. Top designers are no longer aiming their clothes only at the hyper-fashionable few, but offering versions of their outfits at relatively knock-down prices to bring them within reach of more of us

Do designer clothes need to cost an arm, a leg and a lung? The reputation of international ready-to-wear designers has never been higher — and neither have their prices.

The idea that off-the-peg clothes bring fashion to all is mocked by price-tags that are approaching those of haute couture. In fact, in the United States the up-market collections are called "couture" — which is not technically correct, but expresses the spirit of these elitist clothes.

But fashion should be for all. And it is one of the lesser-known facts that many influential designers do bring out diffusion ranges that are within the orbit of fashion-conscious women.

The dissemination of designer clothes is the fashion story of the mid-1980s. The ready-to-wear creators have been a fashion force for a decade. Their bi-annual parades — which start again in Milan next weekend — are a test of skill, verve and imagination. The show is the image-maker for the creative designer, the fountainhead of style for the label and a source of inspiration (not to say plagiarism) for the clothing industry.

But now the designers are "knocking off" themselves, by introducing tiered collections that reduce prices of the basic components of the designer look to approachable levels. With a new autumn outfit from an international designer pushing £1,000, such price cuts are relative. But some major designers, including Giorgio Armani and Ralph Lauren, are now bringing in a third stratum of style, offering the clothes at a fraction of the cost of the main collection.

The dissemination of designer names through licensing is nothing new. Paris couture has been doing it for decades, with Pierre Cardin the founding father of the concept that anything from umbrellas to underpants — if well-designed — sells better with a designer swing ticket on it.

The current fashion trend is based on the belief that the buying public identifies with a designer's image and looks for a specific feature: Krizia's animal motifs or Jean Muir's precision cutting; Armani's rounded nape or Miyake's origami folds. The customer for the diffusion line may be the same as for the main collection, but buying more for her money.

The most significant area is the tailoring, where the same factory will produce the designer pattern, using less luxurious fabric, buttons and linings. This is true of Yves Saint Laurent, whose Variation collection, at a third less than Rive Gauche prices, is made by the same manufacturer, Mendès.

The Italians and their hi-tech tailoring factories have been the spur. Dr Luigi Maramotti of MaxMara was the first manufacturer to bring in high-fashion designers. Under a series of labels in a pyramid structure, you will find the same quintessentially Milanese big-shouldered jacket down the price scale from MaxMara, through Sportmax, Marella, I Blues, Prisma and Penny Black.

This is the model for Giorgio Armani — for whom the textile giant Gruppo Finanziario Tessule makes the main collection, Mani and Emporio Armani. With 80 shops in Italy and 150 more in the pipeline, Armani threatens to become the Benetton of designer labels.

Some designers are concerned that disseminating a name too widely weakens the message. Thus Gianni Versace, who has sworn never to put his logo on a T-shirt, keeps his name exclusive, but designs "incognito" for Genny. At the Genny boutique (Knights Arcade, London SW1) you get the Versace feel at half the prices charged in his own-label boutiques.

In America, tiered collections are the norm and the reason why US designers make such big money out of fashion. You can find all Ralph Lauren's diffusion lines on sale together in his London store.

Most British retailers do not have the confidence to do this and seem unsure of how to promote diffusion collections. They are mostly available in the stores, but often need to be tracked down. Whereas a hoarding 200 feet long advertises Emporio Armani in Milan, here bits of the collection are tucked away at the back of the Armani boutique, suggesting that it is third best.

Harvey Nichols, which makes much of its designer floor, divides up main and subsidiary lines, so that Krizia Poi and Rykiel's Graphics are buried in the knitwear department.

Few British designers are involved in diffusion collections. That is their lament and sometimes their downfall. It has taken Jean Muir 20 years in business to create the Studio line, which will be shown during British Fashion Week in 10 days' time.

This is open season for British designers to open shops, thus establishing an image and putting the designer in control of retail sales. It is a small step in the right direction that most international designers took 10 years ago.

SAINT-LAURENT

Yves Saint Laurent Variation: prices are still relatively high. The strengths are impeccable tailoring, quality fabrics and the YSL cut. The autumn collection includes artist smock printed silk dresses on a velvet yoke (£379), classic straight skirts (£190), tailored bolero jackets (£275), swingy threequarter-length jackets (£305) and knits (£109). Stockists: Harrods, and Selfridges.

MIYAKE

Issey Miyake Plantation: designed by the Miyake design studio under his direction. Less structured than main collection, with easy washable separates. Autumn range based on leggings and layers, topped by huge coats or wide-shouldered sweaters. Fabrics: stretchy cotton and wool jersey in grey, blue, black and purple. Average price of total outfit: £300. Stockist: Plantation, 270 Brompton Road SW3.

RYKIEL

Sonia Rykiel Graphics: knit collection based on her famous striped and plain long-line separates. The highlights include calf-length lambswool sleeveless sweater dress (£99), stripe and plain cardigan (£125); edge-to-edge cardigan jacket, plain sweater and slim skirt, £250 together. Stockists: Harvey Nichols. Browns have Graphics plus velour (outfits from £150) at Sonia Rykiel, 25 South Molton Street W1.

GAULTIER

Jean Paul Gaultier for Bogys: more wearable versions of Enfant Terrible style include flannel suits with laced-up backs and velvet collars, (£450 the outfit) or laced skirts, long or short, grey or black. Gaultier Public, his sportswear line: cycling shorts with Cryllic lettering and leggings. Prices from £90. Both diffusion lines from Jones, 13 Floral Street SC2 and 71 Kings Road SW3.

LAUREN

Ralph Lauren diffusion lines include Classifications (well-bred separates), active wear (polo shirts and track suits), Roughwear (denim, chambré and brushed cotton) and bodywear. Lauren classics to look for are white cotton camp shirts (from £60), grey pleated skirts (from £124), knits (from £75), lace-trimmed sweaters (£95), plaid shirts £60. All from Ralph Lauren 143 New Bond Street W1.

KRIZIA

Krizia's Mariuccia Mandelli is known both for her strong tailoring and for her signature: a menagerie of animal patterns on distinctive broad-shouldered knits. They are much copied for winter woollies. Krizia Poi is the company fight-back, a much cheaper knitwear collection featuring paw prints and witty animal motifs including a polar bear sweater (£150). Stockist: Harvey Nichols.

MUIR

Jean Muir Studio Collection: less expensive and younger range based on separates with emphasis on knits, at about half the cost of the main collection. This russett lambswool polo-neck sweater with a deep ribbed basque, £130, black wool leggings, £89. Painted wooden brooches designed by Annie Sherburn for Jean Muir, £19.95, all from The European Collection, Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, SW1. Black velvet pumps £39.99 from Hobbs South Molton Street and branches.

ARMANI

Mani by Giorgio Armani is his diffusion line between the main collection and the cheaper Emporio. Mani classics include the sculpted nape tailored jackets, pleat front trousers and wrap skirts, as well as a range of blouses. Beige wool jersey collarless jacket, £200, front pleated straight skirt, £105, silk and cotton striped blouse, £155, grey flannel beret, £60. All from Giorgio Armani, 123 New Bond Street W1. Tights from Pretty Polly. Conical-heel shoes from Stephane Kélian, Sloane Street.

Hair by Mario at Schumi

Make-up by Tink

Photographs by Chris Dawes

PEOPLE IN FASHION

Cover-up Di-lemma

I hear that the **Princess of Wales** is in some dilemma over her wardrobe for the Gulf tour in November.

Diana has decided to interpret the female cover-up as head, elbows, knees and toes. Yet her royal mother-in-law set a convention of ankle-length skirts on her visit to Saudi in 1979. **Ken Fleetwood** at Hardy Amies designed for the Queen a floor-sweeping pleated skirt that was then chopped off and worn to Ascot the following summer.

The fashion-conscious Princess of Wales can wear her Dynasty-style **Bruce Oldfield** evening dresses but she is finding it more difficult to adapt her V-for-**Victor Edelstein** daytime silhouette of wide shoulders and short, slim skirt. When the hemline drops to mid-calf, the length Diana has decided to wear for the Gulf, it looks dowdy.

After the initial panic, she has now asked **David** and **Elizabeth Emanuel** to create a wardrobe of longer, softer clothes suitable for the desert states. With designer shoulder pads on the way out and **Joan Collins** threatening to kill off Alexis next year, the Princess of Wales may be ahead of the fashion trend, by giving longer skirts a whirl.

The Queen: spots cropped at the knee for Ascot; floor-length pleats by Amies for Saudi in 1979

Sailors going to blazers

Harold Cudmore, in ship-shape navy blazer, challenged **Robin Knox-Johnson**, in discreet pin stripes, to be the first to lift the America's Cup. Its rightful winner will be decided in Western Australia in November. But Crown Jewellers **Garrard** were showing off the elaborate silver ewer, weighing in at 200 ounces of solid silver, and an exact replica of the 1848 original. Guarding the cup and showing off their new raglan-shouldered blazers and fly-the-flag stripes, designed by **Roland Klein**, were two British Airways staff, who are off Down Under. Garrard are in a race of their own — to finish the refurbishment of their store by the time that the British team is bringing the trophy home.

Jack high for Nino

Nino Cerruti, who flies into town to christen his new Bond Street store on Thursday, is becoming suit maker to the stars. The elegant Italian, at whose feet Giorgio Armani learned his trade, has been working on a new wardrobe for Jack Nicholson, which he will be wearing for his rolé in the film of John Updike's *The Witches of Eastwick*.

The rumpled Nicholson, better known for his open-neck shirts than for impeccable tailoring, may be outclassed by Sting, for whom Cerruti is also making a silver screen wardrobe. Cerruti, whose last menswear show was a still life among post modernist furniture, first used the Italian Vico Magistretti to design the flagship Cerruti 1881 store in Paris 20 years ago.

I hear that customers at the Bond Street shop are making bids not only for the clothes but for the Magistretti-designed tan leather-top table, and the horse blanket-covered sofa.

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Feeling the draft

A plan to tie a future Labour government to the views of its backbenchers has already been attacked — by the potential backbenchers themselves. The idea was contained in a letter to Neil Kinnock from a new pressure group, PPC Liaison, representing more than 100 Labour parliamentary candidates. But at a meeting at the Winter Gardens conference centre it became clear that, far from liaising with their leader, the group was failing to liaise with itself. Candidates, including John Reid, Kinnock's former speech writer, angrily criticized Peter Hain, who drafted the letter, for not consulting them about its contents.

Discretion

Surprise, surprise. Robert Kilroy-Silk kept well clear of Blackpool yesterday, deciding to launch his book, *Hard Labour*, in London instead. Andrew Motion, Chatto's commissioning editor confessed: "I didn't want to set off for the Frankfurt Book Fair with a black eye," Kilroy-Silk, who is planning another book, this time about judges, told me he could not understand the fuss: "I could have written something really nasty about the Labour Party, but I didn't." Meanwhile, boat-rocker David Blunkett has also been signed up by Chatto. The Sheffield City Council leader's analysis of local government, *Crisis in the Town Halls*, emerges in May.

Preview

Unable to wait for Neil Kinnock's speech today, the soft-left Labour Co-ordinating Committee has published a satirical "early draft" in its daily news sheet. In (as my friends in the lobby would put it) a strong appeal for unity, Kinnock is quoted as saying: "I am the leader. I say what goes — and I'll tell you where I am going to put all those impossibilist policies you keep passing. Right up Gwyneth Dunwoody's fur coat." The oration continues: "It's quite simple really: never mind the policies, just follow me. I ask only this small favour of each of you: blind loyalty". If only David Steel had such a way with words.

BARRY FANTONI

"He's definitely grown in stature. Last year he could only manage a split with Derek Hatton"

Great divide

Blackpool's spacious Winter Gardens were not designed for this security-sensitive age; Labour's solution has been to construct a sort of Berlin Wall across the Floral Hall, the building's main foyer. The trouble is that this barrier, which confines delegates to a "secure area", effectively cuts them off not only from their favourite promenade area but also, more seriously, from the Galleon Bar. But there is a compensation: the floor-to-ceiling wall is painted a brilliant white, and Labour is thinking of offering prizes for the best Edwina Currie graffitto by the end of the week.

Power play

The Central Electricity Generating Board formed a tactical alliance with the Communists in Blackpool yesterday. Addressing a reception at the Imperial Hotel, John Baker, the CEGB's managing dorector, chose a guest speaker of redder hue even than the free-flowing wine: Jimmy Airlie, the only communist on the engineering union executive. Further flattering the left, he conceded that the board was studying the feasibility of building more coal-fired power stations in the event of a Labour election victory. Skulking behind a pillar during Baker's address was John Cunningham, whose job as Labour's environment spokesman is at risk because of his pro-nuclear views (Sellafield is in his constituency).

● Linda Bellos, Lambeth's black council leader, was in fine sisterly form yesterday. As the party leader emerged from the Imperial Hotel, she shouted: "Kinnock, you only like black people at carnival".

Rival banner

Nuclear disarmer Bruce Kent complains that "all eyes turned upwards" during his oration at the Labour CND rally on the Blackpool seafront on Sunday. The cause was a light aircraft towing a banner reading: "Visit the Vulcan bomber, Blackpool Airport." Brian Bateson, managing director of the Blackpool Air Centre and owner of one of the Vulcans which carried nuclear bombs from the 1950s to 1980s, happily admits responsibility for the stunt — as he did for "Kremlin sends congratulations" trailed over Greenham Common a year or so ago.

Allies

At the Blackpool conference launch of a new pamphlet, *Peace Through Non-Alignment — Britain Out of Nato*, Tony Benn appeared to have reached agreement on one thing with the Reagan administration: that as long as Britain remained in Nato, so would cruise missiles remain in Britain. Indeed Benn, who had written the booklet's foreword, warmed to the theme: "You could almost say the book has a foreword by Tony Benn and an afterword by Caspar Weinberger."

Job lots

In an attempt to outgimmick the Tories, whose conference next week will feature a Blue Rosette stand selling Jeffrey Archer novels, Labour is flogging dubious wares of its own. On sale at their stall yesterday were Labour party hip flasks, golf umbrellas, towels and teddy bears wearing vests with cute slogans like "I'm a Red Ted" and "Join the Cuddly Left". Tempting also: framed portraits of Neil Kinnock, a snip at £13.95, and a plate commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Jarrow marchers selling for more than any of them probably earned in a month: £25.

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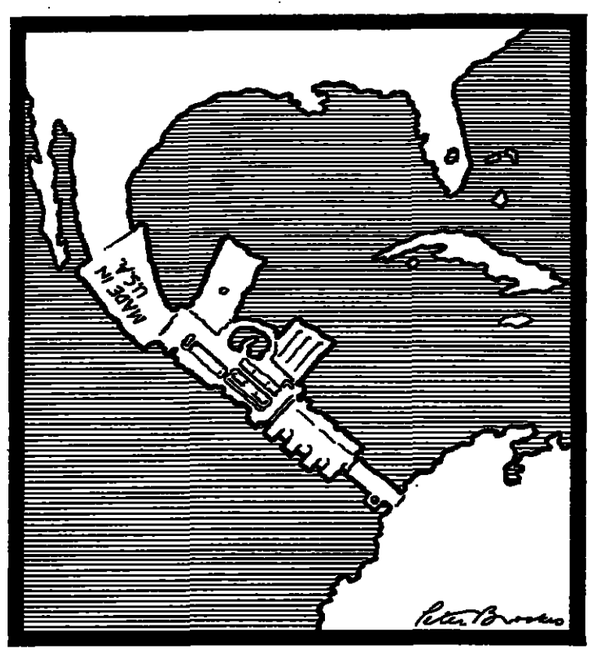
Philip Jacobson on the plight of Honduras, bribed to follow Washington's orders

Helpless pawn in Reagan's war against the Sandinistas



Tegucigalpa

In the four years since the Reagan administration threw the full weight of its moral backing — and as many millions of dollars as it could extract from Congress — behind the cause of the Nicaraguan Contras, the position of US ambassador to Honduras has undergone a remarkable transformation.

Previously, Tegucigalpa was a diplomatic backwater, the drowsy little capital of a large but unpopulated and desperately poor country, apparently untouched by the winds of change blowing hard elsewhere in Central America. A long tradition of military coups, often on what seemed absurdly flimsy grounds, compounded its sorry tag of the very first banana republic. Today, Washington's man in Tegucigalpa is rarely out of the public eye, his every word and deed recorded, scrutinized and endlessly analysed by Hondurans of every political persuasion and a steadily expanding corps of fellow diplomats. The walls of the red-tiled Spanish colonial houses are now spattered with conflicting slogans damning *Yanqui* imperialism and exhorting Reagan to "smash Commie trash". Dinner parties in what only recently was the most relaxed nation in Central America now erupt into furious arguments about the impact of US policy on Honduras.

At the heart of it all is the presence in Honduras of about 15,000 well-armed Contras: in heavily defended bases along the 500-mile frontier with Nicaragua, in training camps behind the front line, in luxurious villas and air-conditioned offices in the capital. The war they are waging, sometimes hotly, more often with no great relish, against Nicaragua's left-wing Sandinista regime is financed almost totally by Washington. The bulk of the funds are administered through the US embassy, the local CIA station, occasionally through some more subterranean entity.

Even among the many Hondurans who have no great affection for the Sandinistas there is growing unease about this cosy relationship between two sets of foreigners on their territory. The fact that the economic aid which Washington sends to the government of President Jose Azcona — $100 million last year, with another $60 million for building up the armed forces — is utterly crucial to their country only makes them more uneasy.

Is this a pay-off for tolerating the Contras as they carve out a sizeable slice of the coffee-rich border region for themselves, renaming it "Nueve Nicaragua"?; for turning a blind eye while the rebels assault and rob villagers, sometimes press-ganging them into service, sometimes raping their women?

Certainly few Hondurans would disagree that the Contra factor has come to impinge directly on the stability and security of their country. As the leader of the opposition Christian Democrat Party observed recently: "Of course, US aid helps us, but Honduras has no independent foreign policy any more. We have on our territory displaced people, a permanent conflict with Nicaragua, and we are isolated internationally."

The position is further complicated by the involvement, widely known but never publicly discussed, of the Honduran High Command in a lucrative operation that feeds off the US aid programme. In the words of one western diplomatic observer: "A lot of senior officers are getting very rich, very fast, because of the Contra presence. The last thing they want is a negotiated settlement with the Sandinistas."

One of the best earners, he adds, is the "write-off racket." Over the last two or three years, the US and Honduras have staged several military exercises inside the country involving thousands of troops and masses of equipment. "Nobody has the faintest idea how many pairs of boots, uniforms and cases of ammunition get left over. The Honduran military sells them to the Contras — sometimes even trucks and weapons." In such circumstances, handling the Honduran generals is obviously one of the US ambassador's most delicate undertakings.

Reagan's man when the commitment to the Contras was really getting under way was John D. Negroponte, a clever, ambitious and hard-nosed diplomat. From the start, Negroponte applied himself with vigour and considerable success to building a raggle-taggle bunch of CIA-sponsored guerrillas into a small army.

To this end, he assiduously cultivated the Honduran High Command, to the point where it appeared to some observers that he valued their support above that of the civilian government. In the process, the way he pursued US objectives deeply offended many Hondurans prominent in politics and the media. To them, Negroponte became "the Pro-Consul" trying to run their country from his gleaming white embassy.

When Negroponte left last year, many Honduran officials believed that Washington's principal interest in their country was to use it as a launching pad for Reagan's crusade against the Sandinistas. All those millions of aid dollars were looking more and more like a bribe.

To take over at this acutely sensitive moment, the Reagan administration chose John Ferch, a career diplomat with years of service in Latin America, including Cuba. In no time Ferch had endeared himself to Hondurans by his decisive role in persuading President Roberto Suazo to step down when his term of office expired. The elections that followed marked the first orderly transfer of civilian power for more than half a century. Given this splendid start, Ferch's relations with the incoming President Azcona were understandable cordial, and more important, correct. In Azcona's words, "as ambassador he always respected Honduras and kept in mind that the dignity of this country came before anything."

Yet within 12 months Ferch was out. The official State Department explanation was failure to follow US policy lines and mismanagement. "Hogwash," Ferch told a reporter from *Newsday* who tracked him down later to the Canadian backwoods where he is building a log cabin. Speaking with the freedom of one who has put the diplomatic service behind him, Ferch said he was sacked because the Reagan administration had decided to abandon its stated policy of using the Contras and a trade embargo to put pressure on the Sandinistas to agree to talks about democratic reform.

What Washington is now seeking, Ferch claims, is a straightforward military solution: this implies much greater co-operation with the Honduran High Command, almost certainly at the cost of US links with the elected government. It was not true, Ferch added, that his own relations with the military had been, as the State Department asserted, less than amicable. He had simply made a point of dealing with President Azcona first and foremost.

What the next US ambassador — Everett Briggs, another experienced Latin America hand — will find waiting in Tegucigalpa has, in the opinion of one European diplomat, all the makings of a *fracaso:* something between fiasco and disaster. Dumping Ferch so abruptly had seriously undermined the cause of democracy in Honduras, he argues, because Washington seemed to be signalling that it would turn to the generals in the last resort. In other words, the "Pro-Consular" school of diplomacy. Ferch himself insists that such an approach is doomed because the Hondurans simply will not take orders.

In the end, most observers agree, it boils down to a major gamble by the US on being able to whip the Contras into good enough shape finally to achieve something on the battlefield. Outside Washington, nobody, not even their US instructors, gives them any chance of victory over the large, increasingly combat-hardened Sandinista army. "You can hand over crates of new rifles, new field radios, even new missiles to use against the helicopter gunships, but you can't give the troops the cutting edge of sheer commitment," one US military source argues.

Contra morale is terrible, he maintains. "The only time those farmboys sweating it out in border camps see their leaders is when they drop by in air-conditioned Jeeps with quadrophonic sound systems." All attemps by the Americans to push senior Contras out of Tegucigalpa and into the bush have failed: there aren't enough villas with swimming pools out there, says one adviser.

Talking to ordinary Hondurans, one sense a feeling of helplessness in the face of events pulling their country this way and that. Many would like to see the US invade Nicaragua and put an end to the constant trouble along their frontier. Many more believe Hondurans will have to accept the reality of living next door to a second Cuba and should already be negotiating with the Sandinistas for an acceptable *modus vivendi*.

But most common of all is the belief that they are becoming pawns in a struggle that can only do further damage to their poor, weak nation. Caught somewhere between war and peace, incapable, it seems, of controlling their own destiny, they have nothing but apprehension about what now awaits them.

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Digby Anderson

This immoral alms race

The possession of a detailed scheme for changing personal income taxation and social security is currently de rigueur for parties proclaiming "radical" policies, but the same parties know that technical details alone won't win votes. Much more effective is an apparently *moral* appeal.

The technicalities of the schemes can, of course, be criticized. This and other columns could bulge with arguments about replacement ratios, poverty and employment traps, earnings rules, age and invalidity supplements, marginal and average tax rates, uprating procedures, thresholds, and incentive effects: all would be imposingly decorated with illustrative cases showing how it is advantageous or disadvantageous to be an unemployed cohabiting lesbian with four children of obscure provenance rather than a faithfully married taxi driver, especially if he has more than 2.7 miles to go to work, in cases a) where he owns and b) where he does not own his cab. We might even have a graph.

Such arguments, although immensely boring, are important, for there is no doubt that the current income redistribution systems are indeed a mess: incomprehensible to taxpayers and benefit claimants, an uncoordinated patchwork of ad hoc and conflicting legislation with poverty and unemployment traps and costly duplication of work by tax and social security bureaucrats. They need detailed reform, and some suggested reforms such as the integration of taxation and benefit systems are highly overdue. There is also much necessary work to be done on the arithmetic, costings and assumptions of rival reform schemes.

But it is even more important to scrutinize the apparent moral appeal. The better off, we learn, should not selfishly cling to the wealth they are lucky to have but pay more tax to help those less *fortunate* than themselves. Many, it is said, are prepared to do this: Mrs Thatcher is mistaken to assume that all share her own selfish, individualistic ethic.

What morality there is in this is false. Current income distribution is not the result of pure chance. The better off and not so well off are not simply the fortunate and the unfortunate. To an extent, pre-tax wealth distribution is the reward of skill, work, sacrifice and risk taking and thus right, just, good. To that extent it is wrong, unjust and bad coercively to redistribute incomes.

Of course, it is also right that those with more give *some* of their wealth to the very poor. But they already give far more than *some*. They give more than the better off in many comparable countries. Professor Salin, writing in *Le Figaro*, recently compared income tax paid by better off families in different countries. His objective was to urge the reduction of the effective French rate of 25 per cent. He noted the Italian 24 per cent, the American 17 per cent and the Japanese 11 per cent. Britain's effective rate is 27 per cent.

This argues that the better off here give more than enough already, but it does not mean they give it to the poor. Like all taxes it is paid to middlemen politicians and it is *these* people's record with it that is so dismal. The fact is that the politicians have already been given enough money by the taxpayer to end acute poverty and they have not done the job. Why give them any more?

It is morally imperative to help the poor. It is not morally imperative, and may well be morally reprehensible, for taxpayers to squander yet more money on the politicians' failed policies rather than help the poor directly. The more proclaimed eagerness among the wealthy to pay more tax may be not only stupid but lazy, irresponsible and lacking in effective charity. Those who would help the poor cannot discharge their obligation solely by rooting in their capacious pockets. They are no less obliged to *direct* the contents of those pockets and see they reach their intended beneficiary.

Conversely it is not necessarily selfish to try to keep wealth — to keep it, that is, from politicians. It is not even "individualistic". Individuals strive for wealth not just for themselves but for their families, to bring up their children as well as possible, give to charities, spend on the arts or the ecologically fashionable countryside, indeed to invest and create jobs, to generate wealth and welfare. The morality of individuals' use of their wealth varies, but not according to the tax they pay.

Taxation indicates something else. It is a measure not of morality but politicization. Those who favour high taxes are expressing high confidence in the ability of politicians and their bureaucrats to solve society's problems. Those who favour low taxes are sceptical about politicians' abilities to spend that money better than themselves, even politicians who can talk about replacement ratios.

The ratios and the rest of the technical talk show the intractability of redistribution to past politicians' schemings. Their message for present politicians is surely that it behoves them to be humble in the face of the problem's complexity and their predecessors' failure. They should ask for *less* tax, not more. It also behoves taxpayers eager to pay more tax to examine whether there are not other, more efficient, if more personally demanding ways to help the poor.

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***moreover* . . . Miles Kington**

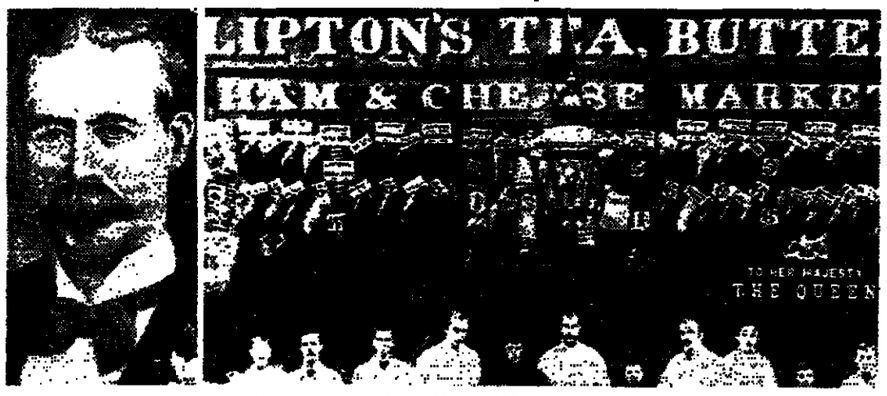
So what's your car's number?

What is the legal situation of a person who is driving a telephone box at more than 60 mph? That, in effect, is the question raised by the recent police prosecution of a man who was driving and phoning at the same time, and was later acquitted.

Well, we have had many anxious calls here at the office, some from worried motorists actually dialling us at 100 mph on the M1, all wanting to know exactly what the law says. As luck would have it, the Highway Code people have sent us their new supplement entitled *Telephoning in a Car: a Highway Code Addendum*. They urged us not to publish it just yet, but we prefer not to worry about silly things like that, so here it is.

1. A driver should at all times ensure that his telephone is in good working order.
2. Before beginning a journey, a driver should ensure that:
● The phone is not off the hook.
● No stickers have been fixed to the windscreen with messages such as "Call Trixie for a good time".
● Your telephone directories are in a position where they will not fall on your lap as you drive off.
● There is no queue outside your car waiting to use the phone.
3. If there is any doubt about your telephone working properly, a driver may dial 999 and report a big fire in a building near your parked vehicle. If a fire engine arrives within five minutes, you will know there is nothing wrong with your appliance.
4. When making a call at any speed, the left hand should slowly be lowered on to the phone while the eyes are kept on the road ahead. If the hand should encounter nothing, keep trying. If the hand should pick up something that turns out to be a lady's handbag, do not attempt to phone with it. If, after five minutes, you are unable to locate the phone, pull off the road and stop.
5. Having located the phone, it should be placed under the chin and held in position in such a way that the driver looks as if he is a well-known violinist holding his instrument without hands, or anyone else suffering from a neck defect.
6. To avoid the dangers of dialling a long number incorrectly, place all such calls via the operator.
7. As the operator never answers, a long number can now be dialled.
8. Drivers should try to express little emotion during a phone call. This is for the sake of other drivers, who may well be alarmed by the sight of a solo motorist next to them shouting into thin air, roaring with laughter, getting angry, bursting into tears, etc.
9. If at any time you should drop the handset between your legs, pull over immediately to the side of the road and halt, shouting as you do so: "Don't go away! I've just dropped the damn thing! I'll be with you in a moment!"
10. At unavoidable moments of emotion, the following hand signals may be used:
● Both hands raised in the air: "I have just phoned Test Match scoreline, and England are 98 for 8 before lunch".
● One hand repeatedly striking skull: "My God — I have just phoned home to talk to my wife, and the phone was answered by a totally strange man".
● One finger pointing out of the window: "I think this call is for you".
11. When a difficult corner, tricky gear change or motorway pile-up is coming up ahead, say carefully into the receiver: "Could you hold on a moment?", then drop phone between knees.
12. In anticipation of a crash, make sure you have a message on your recorded answer device which states: "I'm sorry, but although I am in the car at the moment, I am unable to come to the phone as I am lying unconscious upside down in a ditch. If you leave your name and number, I will come back to you later".
13. If at any time your caller should require you to take down a message on a notepad, with pencil, the car should be steered carefully with knee, as when lighting a pipe, shaving, etc.
14. If, while you are on the phone, your other phone rings, a second call should be started only at a speed less than 60 mph. (Note: it is hard to place two phones under chin.)
15. If, while phoning, you also wish to change cassettes, light a cigarette or blow your nose, ask your secretary to lean over and steer for a while. In the event of a crash, she may be named as the guilty driver. For the law on phoning while smoking, cassette-changing, pointing out scenery etc, send for our Highway Code booklet, *Look — No Hands!*"
16. Good luck!

John Young laments the end of the shops launched by the grocer who went boating with a king



Thomas Lipton, yachtsman friend of Edward VII, and one of his early shops

Hey Presto! They're gone

One of the great names in British retailing disappeared from the High Street this month when the last 84 Lipton stores closed for the weekend and reopened on Monday morning as branches of the Presto supermarket chain.

For many years, before the advent of self-service trolleys and check-out counters, Lipton was a household name, synonymous with jolly, well-upholstered men in white caps and aprons, standing behind counters and surrounded by shelves of produce which they weighed, measured and wrapped for their customers.

They belonged to a time when people were served with what they wanted in pounds and ounces — and paid for not only in pounds, shillings and pence, but also halfpence and farthings — rather than being left to make their own forays among the litre and kilogram pre-packs.

Presto, part of the Argyll group which recently made headlines when it lost a long and costly battle with Guinness to acquire Distillers, has said that it intends to keep all the 438 former Lipton shops open, even though many are very small and not easily adapted to self-service trading. Nevertheless the change will be seen as marking another stage in the seemingly inexorable advance of the big supermarket chains at the expense of the traditional retailers.

A survey published in *The Grocer* earlier this year disclosed that the five largest food chains accounted for nearly half the total grocery market. Top of the list was Sainsbury with 11.9 per cent, closely followed by Tesco with 11.6 per cent (both are much stronger in London and the South-east than in the rest of the country, so their domination south of Potter's Bar is even more marked).

The Dee Corporation (Gateway and International) at that time was in third place with 7.4 per cent but has since acquired Fine Fare, which brings it very close to the two leaders with an estimated 11.5 per cent of the market. Fourth and fifth respectively were Asda with 7.1 per cent and Argyll with 5.5 per cent.

Although separated by nearly a century, the careers of Sir Thomas Lipton and of James Gulliver, the present chairman of the Argyll group, bear a curious similarity. Both were the sons of small Scottish grocers, and both became millionaires through a combination of enterprise and ruthlessness that won them as many enemies as admirers.

Sir Thomas was born of Irish parents in Glasgow in 1850 and made his fortune in tea. But what made him a household name, in more senses than one, was his friendship with King Edward VII, who shared his passion for yachting, and his five gallant but unsuccessful challenges for the America's Cup.

Despite the fame of his racing yachts — all called Shamrock — he was blackballed from membership of the Royal Yacht Squadron because he was "in trade". On one occasion the Kaiser Wilhelm was alleged to have remarked that he understood that his cousin, the King, had gone "boating with his grocer."

Gulliver, aged 56, is a product of Glasgow University and Harvard Business School and, after a spell with a management consultancy firm, made his reputation by revitalizing the Canadian-owned Fine Fare chain of supermarkets.

His departure from Fine Fare was accompanied by a covenant preventing him from setting up in direct competition for two years. But four years ago, having cooled his heels, he acquired Presto from Sir James Goldsmith, and has not looked back since. Although he lists sailing among his recreational activities, he confesses to being happiest at the wheel of an open-topped car on a country road.

At present there seems little to prevent Presto, Tesco, Sainsbury and the rest from accumulating an ever greater share of the grocery market. The survival of the corner shop would appear to depend upon the readiness of Asian traders to remain open for long hours to serve the needs of urban dwellers who have run out of bread, milk, eggs or cigarettes.

But the name Lipton will be kept alive in, of all places, Gibraltar, where there are still two shops and a third due to open next year. A company spokesman explained: "The name Presto means nothing out there."

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LABOUR'S GRAND ILLUSION

Mr Kinnock is displeased with the American Defence Secretary, Mr Caspar Weinberger, for stating openly some of the consequences of Labour's policy on nuclear weapons. He has no right to his displeasure. The British people are entitled to know the consequences of Labour's policy as these are seen by the allied nation on which Nato principally depends. They are entitled to as much evidence as they can get on this matter of life and death, and to as much time as possible in which to absorb it before the next election.

At the moment, understanding is clouded by the pretence that Labour policy is simply about the weapons with which Britain should or should not defend itself, and that it carries no danger to the West or to Nato. That is how Mr Kinnock wishes us to look at it. But rational study of his remarks last weekend shows that it is a false image.

There are two quite separate questions which must not be confused. The first is whether the United Kingdom should abandon or keep its own nuclear deterrent, which further breaks down into two subsidiary questions; should it replace Polaris when that weapon is obsolete but keep it meanwhile, or should it abandon nuclear weapons forthwith? Since abandoning Britain's independent deterrent within a nuclear-armed Nato (in which we continued fully to cooperate) would not necessarily jeopardize the safety of the West, the question of Britain's nuclear capacity is secondary.

This does not mean that abandoning the UK's nuclear defence is wise, and the unwisdom of doing so has been argued here before. Nevertheless, it is possible for a full-hearted Nato supporter to argue (as even some Conservatives and members of the defence establishment do) that as the expense of Trident makes it harder for us to maintain conventional defence at an adequate level, we cannot continue to afford it. The Alliance (though not the Liberal Assembly) favours a third policy, which is to replace the purely British deterrent with a European one.

Mr Kinnock proposes something much more damaging. He intends also to require the US to remove all cruise missile bases from the UK and to forbid the stockpiling of any US nuclear weapons here. But that is not all. He declares, in a simulacrum of emotional honesty, that he would not wish the US to protect Britain with nuclear weapons. "I think it would be immoral to do so."

Since morality is indivisible, that can only mean that in Mr Kinnock's opinion Nato should abandon nuclear defence altogether, build up its conventional forces opposite a Soviet Union armed both with nuclear weapons and a superior weight of conventional arms, and (having put temptation in Moscow's way) wait to see what happened.

Of course, the US would not oblige Mr Kinnock by going non-nuclear, and he knows it. That is why his policy is dishonest either because he relies on the Americans' not indulging in his kind of "morality" or because he is willing to put his country and Europe at the mercy of Moscow without saying so.

But even assuming America maintained its defence of Europe, the task would be much harder. Spain is already negotiating for fewer US nuclear submarine bases, and though NATO has cruise missile bases in Holland, West Germany and Italy, the Left in all those countries would be encouraged by the Labour action to press to follow suit.

In the US itself, the powerful lobbies which favour withdrawal to Fortress America on the grounds that Europe does not contribute enough to its own defence would be heartened. Britain would be far more estranged from Nato than Norway and Denmark which, even though they reject nuclear bases, do not reject the nuclear umbrella.

Mr Kinnock says he would not wish to close all US bases capable of being used by nuclear armed aircraft or missiles. He would only get rid of the weapons. The US might still remain on those terms in the hope of a British government less inimical to the safety of the West.

But there is a more fundamental question than even that to be asked. What would Prime Minister Kinnock do if the Soviet Union launched an attack on Nato in Western Europe which then escalated to some nuclear level? Would he hastily send a surrender signal to Moscow, warn Washington against any nuclear retaliation and refuse to give any help to the country offering the nuclear umbrella? Or would he belatedly agree that the nuclear-capable British bases could be used, having simply contrived to handicap the speed of action?

What Labour is seeking now is a policy fundamentally different from the "renegotiation" of Polaris on which Lord Wilson went to the country as a means of keeping his left-wing quiet. That simply integrated our deterrent into the Nato command, whereas Mr Kinnock would disown a nuclear-armed Nato. But, of course, Nato is a nuclear-armed alliance (until such time as multilateral negotiations determine otherwise) or it is nothing. Labour's policy would work towards making it nothing while pretending that it was still something. It is a dishonest and dangerous policy and the nation must understand what it entails.

SHORT-TERM MARKET TALKING BLUES

Mr Nigel Lawson, speaking in Washington last weekend at a meeting of the International Monetary Fund's Interim Committee, complained about "an almost unhealthy preoccupation, in the markets and in the Press, with very short-term concerns." Alas, however long-term the intentions, short term problems are what such international gatherings are all about. And judged by this harsh criterion, the autumn round of financial diplomacy has so far been a marked failure.

It is sterling rather than the dollar which has borne the brunt of exchange market turbulence in recent days — despite the substantially higher interest rates available in sterling. Three factors have turned the pound once again into the favourite speculative target: political qualms as the election draws nearer, the developing trade deficit, and concern about trends in pay.

The fall in sterling is the natural corrective to the trade deficit. But pay trends remain an unsolved puzzle for the Government. And the electoral uncertainty premium will doubtless fluctuate as the election approaches. In the short term — again — the best that Ministers can do is to persuade the markets that these separate problems are manageable and do not add up to a crisis.

Such "jawboning" sometimes works. When oil prices started to collapse in January this year, there was very strong pressure in markets for a second rise in base rates after the one point increase to 12½%. But briefing about the relatively modest role played by the North Sea in the British economy helped to persuade financial traders that a further rate rise was unnecessary. Since then base rates have fallen to 10%.

The scope for future falls in rates will depend very heavily on movements in interest rates elsewhere. But with real interest rates already at record high levels, inflation lower than for years and economic growth still hesitant, it is reasonable to ask whether higher rates are strictly necessary.

For the moment the markets' reply is that they are. And the failure of the world's financial leaders to patch up their differences and to renew the spirit of last year's Plaza agreement on orderly exchange rates will do nothing to reassure.

Yet if we follow the Chancellor's advice and raise our eyes to the medium term, the outlook is not unattractive. As the world adjusts to the lower level of oil prices, the extra spending power which they have put in the pockets of the oil consuming nations will prove a powerful engine of expansion — just as higher oil prices proved a powerful engine of contraction in the seventies.

If interest rates remain relatively high around the world, this reflects the continuing caution of investors who have only recently been through a period of very high inflation. Wringing out their inflationary psychology will take time.

Major imbalances in the world economy remain. Germany and Japan enjoy large trade surpluses counterposed to America's massive deficit. But the large and continuing fall in the value of the dollar since Plaza will go some way to re-establishing a better balance.

The Americans would like to see some of the adjustment occurring partly through fiscal expansion in the surplus countries. But where Bonn and Tokyo were ready to agree to some depreciation in the dollar, they are not prepared to alter their own economic management. And while all the adjustment is forced back onto exchange rates, the markets are bound to remain unstable.

MEMORIES

The British have enjoyed National Service ever since it ended. So too, by and large, has the Army. Middle-aged businessmen now look back upon their two years with the colours as they might on boiled cabbage at school — something which, unpleasant at the time, was really rather good for one. The exhibition, "The Best Years of Their Lives", which has just opened at the Imperial War Museum, will be full of them.

Curiously it is they, rather than their old enemies on the barrack square, who ever yearn for its return. The call for conscription to be reintroduced is usually based upon the theory that military discipline would have a cauterising effect upon hooligans.

The services by contrast resent this tendency to look upon their chosen profession as a form of penal servitude. In 1955, about halfway through the National Service experience, Field Marshal Lord Montgomery described conscription as an "essential factor of modern defence." By now, however, the Armed Forces have long since learned to live without it and would regard the sudden influx of recalcitrant youth with deep and well-founded misgivings.

Today's professional servicemen are better educated and motivated than those reluctant anti-heroes of the 'fifties. In an age of high tech and terrorism, this is just as well. In the unlikely event of war breaking out in Central Europe, there would be not enough time to teach the butchers, bakers and candlestick-makers how to fly a fighter or launch a missile.

One disadvantage of the change, however, is a shortage of reserves. Although it is assumed that the next war would be a very short one, it is worth remembering that such predictions have been made before and have turned out to be wrong. While the reintroduction of National Service would be politically unacceptable, there is still scope for expanding the reserves so that the forces would not run out of manpower.

The Youth Training Scheme, as far as the services are concerned, is now proving a modest success. Since it began three years ago, 11,000 teenagers have volunteered for YTS service in the ranks. Only 3,000 have been acceptable — which is substamtially fewer than the forces could accommodate. On the credit side, however, as many as 60 per cent have opted to sign on as regulars at the end of their YTS training. Others who have returned to civilian life, have done so with fresh qualifications — and this number should now be increased with the expansion of the YTS period to two years.

The scheme is voluntary. But it involves young people in public service in a way which might otherwise be impossible. Whether some form of reserve commitment should be introduced is worth consideration — though at present the Ministry of Defence is doubtful. Certainly it is worth further investment by the Government to bring it to the attention of school-leavers. Perhaps one day they too might learn to reminisce about Catterick and Aldershot in the way their fathers do — and with much more reason.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Speaking up for student loans

From Lord Ashby, FRS

Sir, Your excellent leader on student loans (September 25) deserves a postscript. Student loans from public funds are no new thing in England. At least one loan scheme existed 60 years ago. In those days it sometimes happened that a school-leaver won a scholarship or exhibition, worth £80 to £100 a year, to a university, but still could not afford to take up the award.

If the school-leaver lived in Kent he (or she) was lucky; for in the 1920s the Kent County Council offered, out of the rates, loans to promising students who otherwise would not have been able to go to a university. The loans were free of interest. On graduation the student received a letter from the Kent Director of Education with congratulations and an invitation to suggest how the new graduate would like to repay the loan.

This imaginative initiative on the part of a local authority opened the gate to higher education for several young people who otherwise would have found that gate closed. I know: I was one of them.

Yours faithfully,
ASHBY,
House of Lords.
September 25.

From Dr Helmut Weigel,

Sir, The decision of the university vice-chancellors to give "reluctant support" for a mixed system of grants and loans to students, as reported in your columns (September 25), prompts me to offer a suggestion which is a variant on the much-criticized loan scheme and is based on personal experience.

Assessment for the purpose of the award of a degree to students in universities and colleges is largely based on attainment and proficiency, but the effort made, i.e., the hard work that has gone into the study, is, quite correctly, rarely, if at all, taken into account. I would like to suggest therefore that the loan may be linked with the effort made. The principle of my suggestion is as follows:

If students were to receive a State loan, they could then also elect to submit themselves to a continuous assessment of their effort. If, at the end of each term, the university or college concludes that the student has, irrespective of his attainment and proficiency, maintained throughout the term a high standard of effort, then the loan for that term is converted into a grant, i.e., it is no longer repayable.

I believe that a loan scheme based on this principle is sound both politically and educationally. Also, it should not be beyond the universities, our finest institutions, to work out details which would allow it to be operated both easily and fairly.

My own experience dates back some four decades at the university in Aachen. There was no resource for grants whatsoever. Even tuition fees had to be paid in full. However, we could elect to have our efforts assessed. If the professor concluded that our effort in his course was of the standard acceptable to him, he could waive the tuition fee for the course.

It was much harder to have the tuition fees waived than to pass the degree examination. The income of the professor derived partly from the tuition fees for his course, which each student had to pay. He was not easily persuaded to waive the tuition fee as it meant a lowering of his income.

Yours faithfully,
HELMUT WEIGEL,
Royal Holloway and Bedford New College,
Department of Chemistry,
The Bourne Laboratory,
Egham Hill, Egham, Surrey.
September 26.

From Mr P. E. T. Douben

Sir, With disappointment I read that the vice-chancellors of the universities have capitulated under the pressure to change the student grant system into a mixture of grants and loans, supposingly in order to increase student numbers.

As a Dutch ex-university student I have experienced a mixed system as operated in the Netherlands until recently. For a typical Dutch student the repayments of the interest-free loan amount to the equivalent of over £65 per month over a 10-year period. I regard the amount of money as a considerable burden.

Although the details of the British system have yet to be revealed, the aim to increase student numbers in this way seems unrealistic. People who have the means to send their children to university nowadays will still be able to do so under a revised system of awards. However, those who can't afford it now won't be capable in the future as their financial burden after the study will be even greater under the new scheme. This is not particularly an incentive to study.

Recently, the Dutch have gone even further: a system of smaller grants mixed with loans subject to interest has been introduced. This will further worsen the situation for children of lower-income parents.

I do hope that the pending revision of the British grant system is not a first step into the direction the Dutch have taken.

Yours faithfully,
P. E. T. DOUBEN,
40 Histon Road, Cambridge.
September 25.

Poor spelling

From Mr R. J. O. Meyer

Sir, Mrs Joanna Tatton Brown (September 22) has a father- or mother-in-law who has passed on the "bad spelling" syndrome to her husband, who in turn has had a child with this problem.

Having spent more than 50 years in the field of remedial education I will stick out my neck and suggest that all three of these intelligent persons are dominantly sinistral (especially as regards the eye) and were not taught to read phonetically but by "look and say word sheet" methods.

These are excellent for the 90 per cent of the population who are dextral and therefore able to combine "word recognition" with reading, but fatal for the 10 per cent who are sinistral in that when they "look and say" a difficult word they do not read it accurately but look at the end or middle of it, switch back to the beginning and have only a hazy recollection of the correct order of letters.

The late King George VI of blessed memory was a sinistral bad speller, Hans Andersen was dominantly left-eyed and an appalling speller, as was the king of dyslexia himself, the late Dr Spooner.

You, Sir, I have noticed have greatly improved your spelling of late and I sometimes wonder whether this is because recent changes in your staff may have caused the disappearance of one or two left-eyed compositors.

Yours faithfully,
R. J. O. MEYER,
Director of Remedial Education,
Byron College,
Paleo Psychico,
Athens, Greece.

Drunken driving

From Dr Alex Comfort

Sir, There is a move afoot to encourage the public to report drunken drivers. Apart from publicans, who might well be reluctant, the best-placed citizen to do this without the suspicion of malice is the radio-equipped driver.

Most such reports in England come from taxi drivers. In America, where I was for several years an emergency citizen-band monitor, calls from truckers and motorists reporting drunken or erratic driving were a main part of traffic, and did much for prevention and the Highway Patrol's arrest rate. An offender would be called-in at one point by a driver, followed up the coast from base station to base station, and find the Highway Patrol waiting for him at a suitable point.

One of the most cost-effective ways of increasing police effectiveness would be to monitor (or secure volunteers to monitor) Channel 9 and to increase the number of vehicles equipped with citizen-band. The Department of Trade and Industry might even permit the use of cheap AM (amplitude modulation) equipment to approved individuals solely for this purpose.

I am, Sir, etc.
ALEX COMFORT,
The Windmill House,
The Hill, Cranbrook, Kent.

Cast upon the waters

From Mr David Fysh

Sir, PHS (September 23) refers to the unfavourable attitude of the Severn-Trent Water Authority towards scattering family ashes in the river.

My edition of *Foxe's Book of Martyrs* records, in a footnote, that John Wycliffe's body was exhumed and burnt in 1384, thirteen years after his death, and the ashes thrown into the river:

The Brook (says [Thomas] Fuller, in words which must not be forgotten) did convey his ashes into Avon, Avon into Severn, Severn into the narrow seas, they into the main ocean. And thus the ashes of Wycliffe are the emblem of his doctrine, which now is dispersed over all the world.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID FYSH,
Wycliffe College Junior School,
Ryeford Hall,
Stonehouse, Gloucestershire.
September 26

Curses of the age

From Mr Frank Seely

Sir, In the 1920s it was said that the worst curses of that age were concrete, constipation and corrugated iron. What three head the list today?

Yours etc,
FRANK SEELY,
4 Drax Court, Middle Rasen,
Near Market Rasen, Lincolnshire.
September 22.

Operations delayed

From Mr M. H. Young

Sir, Dr B.J. Boughton (September 24) considers it is disgraceful that some people should have to wait years for such operations as hip replacements. I disagree. As an orthopaedic surgeon I was taught my craft by surgeons who never performed the operation. It was not available.

Hip replacement surgery did not evolve through the benign providence of the NHS. It resulted from the vision and the commitment of a few dedicated individuals, notably the late Sir John Charnley. Since his pioneeering work in the 1960s hip replacement has developed from an experimental procedure to one of the more commonly performed and successful operations — a development which could not have been anticipated.

Arthritis of the hip is a common affliction and increases in incidence with advancing age. We have an ageing population. The need for an operation which has been shown to relieve symptoms dramatically is great and it is growing. But orthopaedic surgeons are not made overnight.

If students I teach now choose to pursue a career in orthopaedics, they can expect to spend 10 to 15 years acquiring the experience and qualifications necessary for a consultant appointment. This is regrettable. It is not disgraceful.

Yours sincerely,
M. H. YOUNG,
University Hospital of Wales,
Department of Orthopaedics,
Heath Park, Cardiff.

All eggs in one nuclear basket

From Mr David Laurent Giles

Sir, Whether we shall have four Trident submarines or three, as suggested by the "towpath letters" (report, September 15), there are two things upon which all are agreed: that only one of our Trident submarines will be on patrol at any one time; and that if the position of that submarine is known to the Soviets our whole independent deterrent policy will be in doubt.

We are told by the MoD pundits that, since our submarines are much quieter than the Soviets' and our Polaris submarines have never heard a Soviet submarine "trailing" them, therefore the Soviets cannot have known the precise position of our Polaris submarines; nor will they be able to know the position of our Trident submarines.

However reassuring that may be for us officially secretive British, the current attitude in the USA is quite different. For I have just returned from a few days in Washington, and particularly in naval circles, where I found great and growing concern about the great strides made recently by the Soviets in the silencing of their submarines.

Admiral Watkins, US Chief of Naval Operations, recently said:

Of all Soviet Navy developments over the past decade, the improvements in their submarine force have been the most striking.

The authoritative *US Defense Week* magazine has also said:

while the Soviets are still behind the US in quieting technology, the swiftness with which they have caught up has alarmed many anti-submarine warfare experts.

If, as seems possible, the Soviets do soon catch up with the West in submarine silencing techniques, what guarantee can now be given to the long-suffering and heavily paying British public that there is no chance that the Soviets will know the precise position of our single patrolling Trident submarine and thus, possibly, be in a position to destroy it.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID GILES, Director,
Thornycroft, Giles & Associates Ltd,
24 Seymour Road, SW18.

Football hooligans

From Colonel A. L. King-Harman

Sir, We in the voluntary services stand in the front line, together with the police and the ambulance service, when football hooliganism erupts and the Luton-Millwall match two years ago gave us in this county an experience that we would not willingly wish to undergo again.

Whilst the police and other Government services have a statutory duty to serve the public, our duty in St John involves a moral obligation. I do not believe that any of us in the order would wish to withdraw our service to members of the public, nor indeed the hooligans themselves, because we disapprove of those football clubs who put financial gain above crowd control. Nevertheless, many of our units are now so overstretched that we have to turn down requests for first-aid cover.

Where this is the case, I suggest that football clubs which neglect their duties to the public should not assume that their need for first-aid cover will necessarily take precedence over other calls on our services. It would, of course, be a difficult decision for any commissioner to take and I, for one, am delighted that I shall not be put in this position.

The stand by the Chairman of Luton Football Club needs nationwide support.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
A.L.KING-HARMAN,
Commissioner,
St John Ambulance, Bedfordshire,
34 St John's Street, Bedford.
September 28.

VAT on church repairs

From Mr J. A. P. White

Sir, Although I sympathise with Sir Edward Ford (September 25) that relief from VAT cannot be obtained for the repair of churches and historical monuments, the position is not all gloom, as his letter implies.

An amendment to the 1984 Finance Act relating to listed buildings, a category which will include many old churches, allows "approved alterations" to be zero-rated when made to "protected buildings". VAT is unfortunately still imposed on repair and maintenance work. Guidance notes are available from local VAT offices (reference 708/1/84).

Perhaps this knowledge may encourage those responsible, especially for church buildings, to see beyond mere repairs and actively consider whether the buildings could not be enhanced by alteration to the benefit of future generations.

Yours faithfully,
J. A. P. WHITE (Chairman,
Cheltenham Parish Church Building Development Committee),
145 Fairview Road,
Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

ON THIS DAY

SEPTEMBER 30 1863

SAVAGERY ON ROAD TO GUILDFORD

A paragraph which we published yesterday gave an account of some proceedings close to the county town of one of our home counties which would have disgraced a fair in the wildest district of Ireland. On last Sunday night, about a mile from Guildford, thirty persons, *who were nothing more* than quiet passengers on a public high road, were seriously injured, and were placed in some danger of being killed. Everybody — man or woman — who happened to pass through a little village named St. Catherine's, on the Guildford and Portsmouth high road, had, as it seems, to run the gauntlet of a shower of stones from 400 roughs and vagabonds. The miscreants lined the roads on both sides, entrapped every peaceable passenger between them, and then set upon him with a senseless and savage violence. Ladies had their bonnets, shawls and other articles of their dress torn from them in rude assaults, and one had her eye nearly cut out as she turned round to appeal to her assailants to desist. Gentlemen had their coats torn off their backs and received bad wounds on their legs from kicks; and some persons who tried to avoid the danger by taking a circuitous route by the river-side were pursued by the mob and forced into the river. One unfortunate gentleman, who was unwise *enough to attempt to reason* with the mob, was at once silenced and put to flight by a shower of stones; his house was attacked, all the palings pulled-up, and with these and all the wooden railings that could be collected at some cuttings on the London and South-Western Railway "a huge bonfire was lighted up, which was seen at a long distance on the surrounding hills of the county."

It makes matters worse that there does not seem to have been any ground, either of political or religious animosity, for such wholesale savagery. The Irish rows to which we have compared this disturbance are often roused by some passionate partisanship, but this riot appears to have been due to nothing but wanton mischievousness and cruelty. It seems that last Sunday and the ensuing Sunday, the 4th of October, are "fair" days, on which the publicans by ancient custom draw beer all day long, even during prohibited hours; and some comparatively harmless play has been customary, in the shape of throwing chestnuts at the passers by, and in some similar rough practices, which the rustics have taken for "merriment". But on this occasion some roughs from Guildford took advantage of so tempting an opportunity, and turned what has generally been mere rustic horse-play into uncivilized brutality.

We are not going to trouble ourselves to pay any attention to the stupid miscreants who enacted this disgraceful scene. It would be as much waste of ink and paper to address ourselves to them as to appeal every week to the "better sense" of thieves and pickpockets. The whole blame of the outbreak must be laid on the local authorities and the police. The fault is entirely theirs for allowing the mob to get such head. There are roughs enough everywhere, if they were given free play, to endanger the public peace and to make passengers afraid of their lives. A scene which occurred at the Great Western Railway station on the morning of a recent prize-fight, of which a description appeared in these columns, was sufficient to show that we have a number of powerful and unscrupulous ruffians among us in London, who are only restrained by fear from grosser outrages than distinguished the days of Dick Turpin. The streets of London would be unpassable at night in a week if Sir RICHARD MAYNE and his civilian army were in abeyance. Any county town and its neighbourhood could furnish 400 roughs for a row. But it is the business of the authorities to prevent their having any opportunity for an outbreak. Such a scene as that of last Sunday night shows that Guildford is peculiarly unhappy, not in its inhabitants, but in its authorities. . . .

Rural eyesores

From Mrs S. Probert

Sir, All too soon the leaves will be falling from the trees and hedgerows, and then the monstrous black plastic mountains of silage (usually held down by old car tyres), hay and straw will become even more of an eyesore.

Perhaps black plastic has superior protective properties to green plastic, but surely something could be manufactured that doesn't create such a blot on our beautiful English countryside?

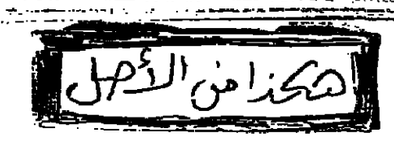
Yours faithfully,
S. PROBERT,
Kasani,
Overstone,
Eckington Road,
Bredon,
Gloucestershire.
September 26.

To the point

From Mr Justin Murphy

Sir, Colin Read (September 27) asks the fate of all the TSB pins. Having spent last week removing them from cheques and application forms, I am constructing voodoo dolls of all those who used staples: with my still scarred fingernails I am putting the pins to good use.

Yours faithfully,
J. MURPHY,
39 Amherst Road,
Ealing, W13.
September 27.



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BALMORAL CASTLE
September 29: By command of. The Queen. the Viscount Long (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport. London this *morning upon the departure of* The King and Queen of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and bade farewell to Their Majesties on behalf of Her Majesty.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 29: The Prince of Wales this evening dined with the Agricultural Ministers of the European Community at the Belsfield Hotel. Bowness-on-Windermere, Cumbria.

His Royal Highness. attended by Lieutenant-Colonel Brian Anderson. travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 29: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a Charity Gala Concert held at the Barbican Centre.

Her Royal Highness presented the 1986 Wavendon Allmusic Awards.

Mrs James Stevens was in *attendance.*

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
Septemeber 29: Princess Alexandra this afternoon named RFA Sir Galahad, the new Lifeboat of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution at Tenby, West Wales.

Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of No 32 Squadron. Royal Air Force Northolt.

Lady Mary Mumford was in attendance.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr James Coltart will be held at St Columba's. Pont Street. today at noon.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr David Boyce Combe and Miss Fiona Helen Thomson
The engagement is announced between David. son of Commander Anthony Combe and Lady Mary Combe. of Grove Cottage. South Creake. Norfolk. and Fiona. daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Thomson. of Invererighty House. Forfar. Angus.

Mr R.J. Allen. RM and Miss K.J.A. Bernard
The engagement is announced between Robert John. elder son of Mr and Mrs R.J. Allen. of Lordshill. Southampton. and Kate Juliette Anne. elder daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Bernard. of Oxford.

Mr M.R. Cooper and Miss A.E. Fewtrell
The engagement is announced between Michael Rodney. younger *son of Mr and Mrs H.* Cooper. of Gold Coast. Australia. and Alison Elizabeth. only daughter of the late Mr J.E. Fewtrell and Mrs P.J. Fewtrell. of Hutton. Essex.

Mr M.W. Hinton and Miss H.M. Petre
The engagement is announced between Mark. elder son of Dr and Mrs Michael Hinton. of West Burton. Sussex. and Harriet. only daughter of Judge and Mrs Francis Petre. of Bures. Suffolk.

Mr T.J. Luckhurst-Matthews and Miss J.E. Anderson
The engagement is announced between Timothy. elder son of the late Mr D.I. Luckhurst and of Mrs E.A. Luckhurst-Mat*thews. of Tilsworth. Bedford*shire. and Janice. only daughter of Mr and Mrs R.A. Anderson. of Vancouver. Canada.

Mr E.A. Paget-Brown and Miss H.I. Shouler
The engagement is announced between Edward Andrew. son of Mr and Mrs K.G. Paget-Brown. of East Horsley. Surrey. and Helen Isabel. daughter of Mr and Mrs G.W. Shouler. of Taunton. Somerset.

Mr S.R. Protheroe and Ms T.J.E. Gilbert
The engagement is announced between Simon Rhys. only son of the Rev P.C. and Mrs Protheroe. of Bunyan Manse. Bedford. and Tara Janet Elspeth. eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.D. Gilbert. of Melbourne. Australia.

Mr M.A. Skelton and Miss M.A. Spinks
The engagement is announced between Martin. son of Mr and Mrs J.H. Skelton. of Sedgwick Park. Horsham. Sussex. and Miriam. elder daughter of Mr and Mrs E.H. Spinks. of Belvedere. Kent.

Marriages

Rear-Admiral F.B.P. Brayne-Nicholls and Mrs M.M. Scott
The marriage took place on September 19. 1986. at Hot Springs. Virginia. United States. of Rear-Admiral F.B.P. Brayne-Nicholls and Mrs M.M. Scott.

Mr T.M. Criley and Miss C.S. Hershman
The marriage took place in London on September 23. of Mr Theodore Michael Criley and Miss Candida Sharon *Hershman. The honeymoon* will be spent in Ireland.

Mr N.S. Foden-Pattinson and Miss E.L. Southan
The marriage took place on Saturday. September 27. at St Andrew's Church. Shifnal. of Mr Nicholas Foden-Pattinson and Miss Louise Southan.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother. Mr N.P. White was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride. and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr M.E.M. Hattrell and Miss K.M. Shipsey
The marriage took place on September 20. at the Church of St Etheldreda. Ely Place. of Mr Martin Hattrell. younger son of Mr and Mrs John Hattrell. of Stanhoe. Norfolk. and Miss Katherine Shipsey. elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Mervyn Shipsey. of Beckenham. Kent. Nuptial Mass was concelebrated by Father Jock Dalrymple and Dom Edward Corbould.

The bride. who was given in marriage by her father. was attended by Miss Frankie Rossi. Miss Jane Shipsey and Miss Rosemary Hattrell. Mr Charles Hattrell was best man.

Mr D.B.L. Royle and Miss C.B. Service
The marriage took place on September 6 at St Philip's Episcopal Church. Durham. North Carolina. of Mr David Royle. son of Mr and Mrs John Royle. of Claygate. Surrey. and Miss Cornelia Service. daughter of Mr W.S. Service. Jr. and Mrs C.A. Service. of Durham. North Carolina. United States.

Astronomy

Sky at night in October

By Our Astronomy Correspondent

Mercury will reach greater elongation (24 deg) as an evening star on the 21st but is unlikely to be seen a little to the north of the much brighter Venus on the 18th.

Venus reaches greater brilliancy (minus 4.6) on the 1st but like Mercury survives the sunset by not much more than half an hour. A little to the south of the thin crescent Moon on the 6th. If you want to look for these two planets. do so early in the month.

Mars is now settling down to an almost permanent setting time of 22h40m and is moving into Capricornus. Moon near it on the 14th.

Jupiter is a bright evening object in Aquarius. Setting between 03h and 01h during the month. Moon near it on the 14th.

Saturn. though above the horizon for an hour or so after sunset. is rather lost in the twilight. Moon near it on the 7th.

Uranus will be setting at about 22h30m this month but is hardly observable.

Neptune. though 40m behind Uranus. is also barely observable.

The Moon: new. 3d19h (eclipse); first quarter. 10d13h: full. 17d19h (eclipse); last quarter. 25d22h. The total eclipse on the 3rd is not observable from Europe but only from North America and the north western part of the Atlantic Ocean. The total eclipse of the Moon on the 17th will start soon after the Moon rises over the British Isles. Totality is from 18h41m to 19h55m and the event will end at 21h07m.

Algol: approximate times of evening minima are 1d19h. *midnight of the 18th. and* 21d21h.

Summer time ends on the 26th when 2.00am BST will become 01h GMT.

Mention was made last month of the "watery" constellations and one of these is Cetus. the whale or sea monster in large groups now coming up in the south east. It is *not very bright and its stars do* not stand out from their neighbours.

The diagram shows the brighter stars that will be above the horizon in the latitude of London at 23h (11 pm) at the beginning. 22h (10 pm) in the middle. and 21h (9 pm) at the end of the month. local mean times. At places away from the Greenwich meridian the Greenwich times at which the diagram applies are later than the above by one hour for each 15 deg west of Greenwich and earlier by a like amount if the place be east. The map should be turned so that the horizon the observer is facing (shown by the words around the circle) is at the bottom. the zenith being at the centre. Greenwich Mean Time. known to astronomers as Universal Time and expressed in 24-hour notation. is used in the accompanying notes unless otherwise stated.

On our map, which does not go below fourth magnitude, the two stars on the extreme left are Alpha (Menkar) and Gamma. Just above them are three fainter stars making with them an irregular pentagon and the head of the creature.

This little group is quite easy to see on a clear dark night and so is the irregular quadrilateral below the E of the word Equator. It is a part of the body and half way along the neck is Mira — and you will not find it!

This is the famous variable star. "the wonderful". with a period of about 330 days for half of which it is not visible to the naked eye. This month it is due to reach its minimum. At maximum it is usually a bright third magnitude but can be brighter. That was in March when it was unobservable in daylight sky. Mira is a large pulsating "red giant" of low temperature.

Mars was referred to as having an almost permanent setting time: why? As indicated in the caption under the star map a given aspect of the sky occurs two hours earlier for each month later. So at a fixed time constellations in the south aspect will have moved westward by 30 deg.

In the middle of the month Mars will be in Capricornus. In the middle of November Capricornus will have set, but the eastward motion of the planet is at present quite fast and by then it will be in Aquarius and have escaped the necessity of setting. It will continue to behave like this for the rest of the year.

Our monthly map is drawn for 23h on the 1st. By the end of the month it will apply to 21h and the September one (ignoring Mars and the Moon) will apply to 19h. By then the clocks will have changed and it will be 7pm, a possible time to take the children out. Twilight will be over and the Moon will not have risen.

Birthdays today

Sir Stanley Bailey,60; the Rev Gordon Barritt. 66; Lord Belstead. 54; General Sir Edward Burgess. 59; Sir Peter Fawcus,71; Mr Staffan Gadd. 52; Mr A. E. S. Green. 47; Mr A. R. Hacker. 48; Mr Michael Innes. 80; Miss Deborah Kerr. 65; Professor F. Llewellyn-Jones. 79; Sir Nevilll Mott. 81; Mr Ian Ogilvy. 43; Mr Michael Powell. 81; Miss Laurie Purden. 58; Mr Stewart Steven. 48; Mr Donald Swann. 63.

Lecture

Foundation for Science and Technology
Lord Lloyd of Kilgerran. QC. presided at a Foundation for Science and Technology meeting held at the Energy World Exhibition last night. Sir Henry Chilver welcomed the guests to Milton Keynes and Dr C. Gronow also spoke. The evening was sponsored by the Milton Keynes Development Corporation.

Lord Mayor

Alderman David Rowe-Ham has been elected Lord Mayor for the City of London for the coming year. He will be admitted to office on November 7.

Appointments

Mr John Trench. Deputy Queen's Bench Master. to be Master of the Supreme Court. Queen's Bench Division.

Luncheons

HM Government
The Secretary of State for the Home Department was host at a luncheon held yesterday at Lancaster House in honour of M Charles Pasqua. Interior Minister of France.

Royal Over-Seas League
The High Commissioner for Botswana was entertained at luncheon yesterday at Over-Seas House. St James's. by Mr Maneck Dalal. chairman. and members of the central council of the Royal Over-Seas League.

Receptions

Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society
The Lord Mayor of Manchester and the Lord Lieutenant of Greater Manchester and Lady Downward attended a reception held last night at Manchester Town Hall. Dr N.P. Mallick. President of the Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society, was host.

Order of St Michael of the Wing
The Marchioness of Salisbury attended the patronal festival yesterday of the honorary British college of the Portuguese Order of St Michael of the Wing. The Michaelmas Day service was held at St Dunstan's-in-the-West and a reception was held afterwards on board the Headquarters Ship Wellington. by permission of the Master Mariners' Company.

Dinners

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister was host at a dinner held yesterday evening at 10 Downing Street. The guests included:
Lord Young of Graffham. Mr Paul Channon. MP. the Hon John Sainsbury. Sir Gordon White. Sir Alex Alexander. Sir Austin Bide. Sir Basil Feldman. Sir Philip Harris. Sir John Egan. Sir Godfrey Messervy. Mr David Nickson. Mr David Alliance. Mr Tony Cleaver. Mr Gerald Ronson. Mr Alan Sugar. Mr N B Smith. Mr Graham Day. Mr Stanley Kalms. Mr Norman Sussman. Mr Philip Birch. Mr Desmond Pitcher. Mr Gordon Black. Mr Michael Hoffman. Mr Monty Sumray. Mr Peter Cazalet. Mr Richard Greenbury. Mr Frank Whiteley. Mr Nigel Wicks and Mr Andrew Bearpark.

King's College London
Professor Stewart Sutherland. Principal. presided at a dinner given by King's College London and King's College London Association held last night at Gray's Inn in honour of Lord Edmund-Davies.

Institute of Credit Management
The Lord Mayor was among the speakers at the annual dinner of the Institute of Credit Management held at the Mansion House last night. Mr Roger Cork was in the chair and Judge Pigot. QC. and Sir Kenneth Cork. president of the institute. also spoke.

71st Yeomanry Signal Regiment
Colonel Digby Thompson was in the chair at the annual dinner of the 71st Yeomanry Signal Regiment Officers' Dining Club held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club.

OBITUARY

SIR REG GOODWIN

Moderate Labour leader in London

Sir Reg Goodwin, Labour leader of the Greater London Council from 1973 to 1977. died yesterday at the age of 78.

A quiet. unspectacular man. he lacked the tough. Tammany-style worldliness of a Herbert Morrison no less than the insidious charm of a Ken Livingstone. Yet he did a worthy job in his day. and was admired for his competence and integrity by many of the council's officials.

Politically he was a moderate. but towards the end of his career at County Hall moderation was going out of fashion. Eventually he left the Labour Party though without giving his allegiance to any other.

He will be remembered for a number of specific achievements. not least the introduction of free off-peak travel for pensioners. His work for boys' clubs also was enduring. and apart from the war. he served the National Association of Boys' Clubs for almost forty years.

Reginald Eustace Goodwin was born in Streatham. on July 3. 1908. and educated at Strand School. London. From 1926 to 1934 he was a tea buyer in the City. He was also for five years voluntary leader of the Oxford and Bermondsey Boys' Club. becoming first assistant secretary of the NABC in 1934. He was its general secretary from 1945 to 1973.

In 1932 he had joined Bermondsey Labour Party. and in 1937 was elected to Bermondsey Borough Council. on which he served until 1965. for 18 years as its leader. In 1946 he was also elected to the LCC and was soon identified by Sir Isaac Hayward as one of his young standard-bearers. After 1964 he had a seat on the successor GLC.

But he only really came into his own in local government with the second GLC election of 1967. The Labour Party was routed and a Labour rump met to choose a new leader. The guile and adroitness of Hayward as LCC Labour leader in the first session of the GLC had left Goodwin in the anonymity of the Finance Committee where he seemed happy. A shattered group, almost all with an LCC background. began to experience for the first time since 1933 the problems of an opposition.

In 1970 when Labour made up lost ground by recapturing ILEA. he moved reluctantly into a more aggressive pose. Knighted on the recommendation of Harold Wilson after the 1967 GLC defeat. he settled for being called Sir Reg.

After Labour's 1973 victory at the GLC he led a large majority which showed the tensions already manifest in the Labour Party nationally. He put his name to a pro-Reg Prentice petition and encouraged several members who later went off to form the SDP.

The signs of increasing left-wing influence in London distressed him. His favourite optative after returning from the interminable meetings of the London Labour Party's executive was "Bless us and save us". His closest associate was the London Labour chairman. Robert Mellish. whose Bermondsey parliamentarty constituency was his on the GLC. but whose political style he did not share.

Another Labour defeat in 1977 saw him again elected as Labour leader. but even stronger blasts were blowing from the Left. He pinned his faith on getting a moderate to replace him to hold the dyke.

Ken Livingstone. however. sat behind him. delivering on occasion root and branch attacks on the structure of the GLC. Goodwin never replied, only quivered. Few ever attacked him directly. for he always looked vulnerable. His unexpected resignation as leader in 1980 was concealed from all his colleagues including the Chief Whip.

His successor. Andrew (now Lord) McIntosh, was ousted a year later by Ken Livingstone in a coup following the next Labour victory in 1981. Goodwin failed to secure nomination for that election even in Bermondsey. It was a strange end to his career in London government.

In a rare flash of wit when he took his place on the back benches of the GLC. he said "I'm glad to be here because fewer of my friends are behind me." His disenchantment with the new Labour Left finally expressed itself in his letting his membership lapse in 1982.

He married. in 1942. Penelope Mary Thornton. She survives him with two sons and one daughter.

MAJOR-GENERAL B. W. KEY

Major-General B. W. "Billy" Key. CB. DSO. MC. who died on September 26 at the age of 90. had a career spanning two world wars and three frontier campaigns, in all of which he distinguished himself as a most courageous soldier.

Berthold Wells Key was born on December 19, 1895, the son of a doctor. After education at Dulwich College he joined 45th Rattrays Sikhs in 1914 on the North-West Frontier of India at the age of 18. During the First World War he was engaged in very heavy fighting in Mesopotamia. where he was wounded and awarded the MC.

After taking part in the Arab Rebellion and fighting in Kurdistan he saw active service in Afghanistan in 1919 where he found himself in the 15th Ludhiana Sikhs - the battalion he was to command some 17 years later.

During the North-West Frontier operations of 1930 Key was mentioned in despatches and. after he had passed Staff College. his powers of leadership, coupled with great gallantry. earned him the DSO for operations in Waziristan and against the Faqir of Ipi.

Early in 1939 he was a member of the small team of officers which flew from India to Palestine to plan for making the Suez Canal, and the Middle East generally. secure in the event of war with Germany, with the help of troops from India.

He commanded the 8th Indian Infantry Brigade at Kelantan. Malaya. in 1941. when the Japanese landed on his 120-mile front. He was constantly in action, first with that brigade and later in command of 11 Indian Division during the campaign. with no air and little artillery support.

After the fall of Singapore, Key endured unbelievable miseries and indignities as a prisoner of the Japanese, but his studied cheerfulness was an inspiration to his fellow captives.

Meanwhile his only son was killed in Italy, commanding a company in his old battalion in the 4th Indian Division.

When power was transferred to India and Pakistan in 1947. Key was GOC Lahore district, supporting the Punjab Boundary Force.

In retirement he took great pleasure, when well into his 70s. in winning the General's Cup at Royal St George's, Sandwich, in two consecutive years. being runner-up in the third.

He married, in 1917. Aileen Dunsterville. who died in 1951. He is survived by two daughters of the marriage.

MR J. LESLIE ORR

Mr J. Leslie Orr, a pioneer of professional management consultancy in Britain, died at Eastbourne on September 20. He was 94.

John Leslie Orr was born on May 26, 1892, at Airdrie, Scotland. He was educated at Morrison's Academy, Crieff, Glasgow High School, and Glasgow University where he graduated in mechanical engineering in 1913.

At the outbreak of the First World War he was commissioned into the Highland Light Infantry. By the end of the war he was a major in the Royal Artillery. But he was invalided home after being gassed and spent several months recuperating.

He then joined a small engineering firm, but the effects of the gassing caught up with him in prolonged bouts of pneumonia, and he was advised to go to warmer climes. As a freelance production engineer he went to South Africa, and then to New Zealand and Australia. Restored to health, he returned in 1926.

Now widely experienced, he was hired as a management consultant by the British Bedaux Company. Here he found his niche and made important contributions to the company's pioneering assignments in production engineering and manufacturing management. Within two years he was assistant general manager.

In the mid-1930s, British Bedaux began to lose their early recruits who moved into fresher pastures as principals in new practices. Orr himself joined Lyndall Urwick to form Urwick Orr and Partners, the first British professional management consultant practice, providing services not only in production but also in wider fields, particularly marketing, office administration and management accounting.

During the war years, with Urwick away on National Service to the Treasury and to the War Office, Orr operated as sole chief executive responsible for all the partnership's services to wartime industry.

He involved himself in many branches of engineering, but especially in aircraft production, supervising the entire production process from factory layout, quality control and workforce relations. His strength was his abundant common sense which, combined with an analytical mind, he successfully applied to new situations.

That Orr was less known in person stemmed only from attitude and choice. A quiet and private man, he eschewed the spotlight and never appeared as a speaker on any public platform. He continued fully active in body and mind until his retirement in 1962.

In his youth he was a dedicated chess player and found relaxation in listening to classical music. preferably on the wireless. He steadfastly refused to play golf, maintaining that he had seen too many colleagues mesmerised by the game.

After the death of his wife. Gladys Marie, in the 1960s, he continued living quietly alone in Eastbourne, largely fending *for himself. He is survived by* their only son.

MRS DOROTHY RICHARDS

Mrs Dorothy Richards, who died in Cambridge on September 24 at the age of 92. had, as Dorothy Pilley, made a name in journalism and climbing well before she married I. A. Richards in 1926.

Theirs was a close and happy partnership in Cambridge, China and Harvard, and above all in the mountains. In *Climbing Days* (1935). she chronicles the great years when they made many first ascents in the Alps, notably the North Ridge of the Dent Blanche.

Though the Richardses had later to reduce the scale of their climbing, their enthusiasm for the mountains and for meetings with fellow climbers never weakened. After her husband's death in 1979. she lived on in the charming house next to Magdalene to which they had retired in 1974.

She made. and kept. a host of friends, widely varied in age and interests; she could exasperate them. but never lost their loyalty and affection. She thrived on parties. company and talk.

Enterprising to the end, defying age and infirmities, she saw in this last New Year at a climber's hut on Skye, sitting up until 3 a.m. over whisky and mountain talk.

Mr James Greig, a New Zealand potter and expert in Japanese ceramics. three of whose pots were exhibited alongside those of Kei *Fujiwara*, died on September 25. He was 50.

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BIRTHS

ALFANDARY On September 27th, to Sarrita (nee Joseph) and Peter, a son Adam Raphael

BATESON On 28th September, to Julia (nee Wilken) and William, a second son Charles William

BLAND On September 24th, to Patricia (nee Bowen) and Robert, a son Alexander John Robert, a brother to Ross

CANNON On 24th September 1986, to Freddi and Julie Cannon, a daughter, Lauren Victoria, a sister for Crystal

CORBETT On September 26th, at Queen Charlotte's, to Diana (nee Walker/ Clayton) and Rupert, a daughter

CROSSLEY On 25th September, to Theresa (nee Short) and Terry, at St Helier Hospital, Carshalton, a son, Patrick Barry Joseph, a brother for Bernadette

GRAHAM On September 27th, at St Teresa's, Wimbledon, to Caroline and Johnny, a son, Maxwell William Churchill

GREENWOOD On September 26th, at Harrogate, to Elaine (nee Holmes) and Peter a son John Richard Nelson

HASKARD On September 28th 1986 to Kathleen (nee Keitzman) and Dorian, a son, Luke

KEWELL On September, 25th, to Caroline (nee Robertson) and Michael a son, Thomas Patrick

KISBY. On 27th September, at Lister Hospital, Stevenage, to Carolyn (nee Hicks) and Edward, a daughter, Lorna Catherine

MELLOTTE On 28 September to Marybell and Roderick, a son, Officer James Kenneth Roderick, a brother for Georgina, Louise and Alice

MURRAY - On Saturday, 27th September 1986 at Bath to Lucinda (nee Bowen) and Michael, a daughter, Harriet.

SCOTT - On September 25th, to Gillian (nee Fortune) and John, a son.

STRONG On September 28th, to Charlotte (nee Bilbom) and Simon a daughter Lucy Anna, a sister for Emma

TREVELYAN on September 26th to Anita and Tom, a daughter Victoria Rossanna, a sister for Clare.

WAINER On 21st August, to Paula Lindsey (nee Irwin) and Ronald Anthony, a daughter, Rebecca Alexandra.

WILLIAMS - On September 17th, at Hinchingbrooke Hospital, to Grant and Karen (nee Stewart), a son, Edward Burkhill Grant.

DEATHS

ARKELL On September 26th, Rupert husband of Susie, father of Harriet and Kate. Cremation private. Service of Thanksgiving, St James Church, Bourton on Thursday, 2nd October 11.30am. Family flowers only, donations if wished to the Princess Margaret Hospital, Scanner Appeal, Swindon.

ATKINSON - On 28th September 1986, peacefully at home in Feltham, Patrick Norman, aged 66, dear husband of Diana and much loved father of Edward and Stephanie. Service at Chichester Crematorium on Friday, 3rd October at 3.30 pm. No flowers please but donations if desired to the West Sussex Macmillan Service, c/o Reynolds Funeral Directors, 27 High St, Bognor Regis, West Sussex Tel 0243 864745

BEAMAND - On 27th September, aged 78 years, Maureen, of 17 Kirkwood Place, Brunton Park, Newcastle Upon Tyne, beloved wife of the late Charles William Frederick, dear mother of Michael and Lesley, and a loved grandmother of Gary. Friends please meet for service at St Aidan's Church on Wednesday, October 1st, at 2.15pm, followed by cremation West Road at 3pm. Family flowers only but if desired donations in lieu may be made to St Oswalds Hospice, Regent Avenue, Gosforth NE3 1EE.

BECKETT Roland Charles - On 18th January 1986 at home, Flat 3, 6 Brunswick Square, Hove, East Sussex Aged 79 years. Much loved brother of Mrs Ivy Annie Watts.

BURNETT - Unexpectedly on Friday, 26th September 1986, at Garthmael General Hospital, Mary Stewart, widow of the late C.J.R. Burnett. Beloved Mother of Susie, Aileen and Joyce and grandmother of Joanna, Kay and Andrew. Funeral service at Clydebank Crematorium, North Dalnottar, on Wednesday, 1st October, at 11.00 am.

CHILD On 24th September, 1986, Margaret, (nee MacIntnosh), aged 83, of Crockham Hill and Rode. Private Cremation followed by Service of Thanksgiving, at Holy Trinity Church, Crockham Hill, Kent, on Wednesday, 29th October at 3 pm. No flowers please, but donations to The National Trust for Scotland, 5 Charlotte Square, Edinburgh.

CHIVERS On 27th September in Melbourne Lt Col (retired) MH Chivers

COWIE On September 28th at Torquay, Devon. Peacefully, David James, beloved husband of the late Frances Mary. Funeral Service at Torquay Cemetary Chapel, Barton Rd, Torquay, on Monday, October 6th at 2pm. Enquiry to Torbay & District Funeral Service, Wellswood, Torquay. Tel: (0803) 22447.

EDWARDS On September 29th peacefully in his sleep at home at Le Tour de Peiz, Harold Edwards, aged 88, beloved husband of Margarit & the late Henriette, devoted father of Francois. Funeral at All Saints, Vevey on Thursday 2nd October at 2pm.

GULLICK, Etta - On September 26th, at Noble's Hospital, Isle Of Man. Funeral Kirk Michael, Wednesday, 1st October 2pm. Flowers to Crennells' Garage, Tower St, Ramsey, I.O.M.

FRENCH - On September 27th, 1986 peacefully in St Stephen's Hospital Chelsea, after a short illness, Ruth Helen French, dear friend and partner of Alex Morrow. Funeral service private. Donations if desired to The Imperial Cancer Research Fund, Lincolns Inn Field, WC2. A Memorial Service to be announced later.

GREENE - On 28th September Audrey Blanche, peacefully at Whitehall Lodge, Norwich in her 94th year. Cremation at St. Faith's Crematorium, Norwich on Thursday 2nd October at 1.30 pm. Flowers may be sent to Peter Taylor, Funeral Services, 85 Unthank Road, Norwich, please.

HARRIS On September 25th, peacefully at home, Hilda Rose, Widow of Reginald, beloved mother of Peter and Gillian, much loved by John and Caryl and Grand Children Tom, Alison, Paul, Joanna and Susan. Funeral on Thursday October 2nd at St John The Baptist Church, Aldenham, at 2.30 pm. No flowers please.

HAWKES On September 27th 1986, peacefully at home with her family, after a long illness born with such great courage, Ida Cameron Hawkes, much loved wife, mother and granny. Funeral private, October 1st.

HOGAN - Suddenly on 27th September 1986, Michael Hogan KL., C.M.G., beloved husband of Patricia, dearly loved brother of Mary and Sheila and loving uncle to Kate and David. Burial will be in Dublin. RIP. Memorial Service in London to be announced. All enquiries to A France and Son. Tel 01 405 4901.

JONES - On 27th September, Sandra Mary, peacefully at Langstone after a long illness. Funeral at Llangarron on Wednesday, 1st October at 2.30 pm. No flowers. Donations please for NSPCC and Cancer Research to William Bevan, Old Gloucester Road, Ross on Wye.

KEY On 26th September, 1986, peacefully at Queen Elizabeth Military Hospital, Woolwich, Major General Berthold Wells Key C.B., D.S.O., M.C., aged 90 years. Late of the Sikh Regiment Indian Army. Husband of the late Aileen Dunsterville and much loved father of Hopette and Veronica. Private cremation, followed by a memorial service at the Parish Church of St Clement, Sandwich, on Thursday, 2nd October, at 2.15 pm. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to the Army Benevolent Fund, c/o The Brett Funeral Service, 20 High Street, Sandwich.

LUCY- Henry Francis PETER de Camborne. Peacefully, after a long illness, bravely bourne. Peter. Beloved husband of Dorothy (Tommy) loving father of Bill, John and Diana, a dear father-in-law and much loved grand father of their 12 grandchildren. Funeral service at Saint Mary's, Langley, at 3 pm on Thursday 2nd October 1986. Family flowers only, but donations if desired, to Imperial Cancer Research fund c/o Pickard and Beale, funeral Directors, 11, Brewer street, Maidstone. Telephone (Maidstone) 677155

MAJURY - On 20th September, 1986 at Winnipeg, peacefully after a bravely borne illness, Dr Arthur S Majury, M.B., F.R.C.O.G., brother of James Hollybrook, Colemans Hatch, Hartfield, East Sussex.

MALLOCK - On September 26th, suddenly at home, Brigadier Christopher Courtenay, late R.A., Darling husband of Wendy, and beloved father of Susan and Michael and of his five grandchildren. Cremation private. Thanksgiving service on Friday, October 10th at 2.30pm, at All Saints Church, Stanton-St-Bernard. No flowers. Donations if desired to the British Heart Foundation.

MEADOWS - On September 27th, 1986, Brian Anthony dearly loved husband of Jane, peacefully at home, after a long illness borne with courage, and cheerfulness. Funeral takes place at 1.00 p.m. Tuesday 30th September, at The Liberal Jewish Cemetery, Pound Lane, Willesden NW10.

NORWAYS On September 25th, peacefully at Mount Edgcumbe Hospice, William George. Much loved husband of Sonja, of Edmondscote, Penwartha Coombe, Perranporth, Cornwall. Funeral at All Hallows Church, St Kea, Truro, on Tuesday, September 30th at 1.00 pm, followed by private cremation. No flowers please. Donations to Mount Edgcumbe Hospice, St Austell, or The MacMillan Service. (Cornwall. Trepolis Road, Truro).

ORR On 20th September 1986 peacefully at his home in Eastbourne, Sussex, John Leslie aged 94 years, husband of the late Gladys Marie and father of John Goldie of Forge Cottage, Itchen Stoke, Alresford, Hants. Funeral service at Eastbourne Crematorium on Friday 3rd October at 2.30 pm. No flowers but if desired donations to Brutish Heart Foundation, 57 Gloucester Place, London W1H

PARBURY - On September 27th 1986, Kathleen Ophir Theodora F.R.B.S., Sculptress and Authoress, in her 86th year, at Alnwick Infirmary. Formerly of St. Bede's, Longstone Close, Beadnell, Northumberland and Castle Kirk Lodge, Holy Island. Service in St. Ebba's Church, Beadnell on Friday, 3rd October at 10.30 am followed by interment at Holy Island.

PARRINGTON - On September 28th 1986, Jean, at home, Borrowby, Thirsk. Funeral Leake Church, 11.30 am, 3rd October. Family flowers only Cremation private.

POWELL, Jocelyn On Thursday, 25th September, of Edgbaston, University of Birmingham, and Park Rd, London. Suddenly after short illness in Birmingham. Funeral 2.30pm Thursday, 2nd October, Alderley Parish, Glos. No flowers. Donations Marie Curie Memorial Foundation, 28 Belgrave Sq, SW1

PHIPPS - On September 28th, 1986, peacefully after a long illness, Linda Muriel of 11 Athenaeum Lane, Bury St Edmunds, aged 70 years, Wife of the late Oswald Hiram (Peter) Phipps. The funeral service takes place at St. Edmundsbury Cathedral, Bury St Edmunds, on Monday, October 6th at 12 noon followed by cremation. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired, for the St Nicholas Hospice Appeal, may be sent c/o L Fulcher Ltd, 80 Whiting Street, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.

RUNYARD - On September 28th 1986, peacefully at his home in Bournemouth, after a short illness, Leslie E.C., aged 68. Dearly loved husband of Ann and a devoted father, grandfather and brother. Funeral service Friday, 3rd October, 10.30 am at Bournemouth Crematorium. Flowers may be sent to Deric Scott, Portman Lodge Funeral Home, Bournemouth.

SMART - On September 26th, 1986 in the Evelyn Hospital, Cambridge, John Smart B.Sc., Ph.D., D.Sc. (Edinburgh), M.A. (Cantab.), F.R.F.E., Emeritus Fellow of Darwin College, Cambridge, husband of Elspeth, elder son of the late Mr and Mrs John Smart of Edinburgh. Cremation at Cambridge Crematorium at 9.30am on Thursday, 2nd October. No flowers.

WILCOCK - Doris Mary, on September 27th, peacefully in her sleep. So loved by Harold and Susan. Private Funeral. Memorial Service at Wherwell Parish Church, on Friday October 3rd at 12 noon. Donations if desired, to MacMillan Nurses.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

GARDNER - There will be a Memorial Service for Professor Dame Helen Gardner in the University Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford, on Saturday, November 22nd, at 2.30 p.m.

RAYMOND - A Memorial Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Michael Geoffrey Raymond, a Director of The Baltic Exchange and of Bigard Brothers and Buswell, who died on Friday, 18th July 1986, will be held at St Helen's, Bishopsgate, at 11.45 am on Thursday, 9th October 1986.

STEELE - A Memorial Service for Michael James Steele of Saudi Arabia, Crowthorne and Cleish, will be held on Saturday, 4th October 1986, 1.00pm at the Church of St Paul's, Reading Rd, Wokingham.

WAKEFIELD - A Service of Thanksgiving for Roger Cuthbert (Jumbo) Wakefield, C.M.G., O.B.E., will be held in the Chapel of St. Michael and St. George, St. Paul's Cathedral, on Tuesday, 7th October at 11.00 am.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

CHANNER Philip Hugh. 30th of September 1983. In fond memory *Elizabeth.*

DIAMOND ANNIVERSARIES

YORKE : ASSHETON - On September 30th, 1926, at St Leonard's Church, Downham: John Edward Evelyn Yorke to Eleanor Assheton.

Science report

Laser scanner spreads the Word

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Facsimile reproductions of thousands of illuminated medieval manuscripts, faithful in colour to the originals, are being prepared for the Vatican Library in Rome.

They include copies of thousand-year-old documents and miniatures adorned with jewels, reproduced by a laser system linked to a computer analyser and colour separating machine, which produces the films for printing. Before making a reproduction, the originals are unbound and repaired.

Scholars have used the rich collection of the Vatican for centuries. But regardless of the care with which the books are handled, wear and tear occurs. So a 20-year project has started to make facsimiles that will also enable the collection to be accessible to a wider public.

An electronic studio has been created in the Vatican by scientists and printers specializing in fine art work from the Kodak company and Belser Publishing, of Zurich and Stuttgart.

At the heart of the process is a laser scanner which displays colour analysis on a video screen, on which corrections can be made to match the eventual print with the original.

Since it is too risky, and difficult, to use the laser scanner on the original documents, copies are first made with large photographic transparencies. These are then scanned by the laser system.

One of the most adventurous reproductions done so far is to make a facsimile edition of the *Codex Benedictus*, which was created between 1058 and 1087 in the Monte Casino monastery. Some of its colours come from semi-precious stones inlaid in the document.

Small deviations from the original would diminish the value of the finished reproductions to scholars. Many proofs are made, and then compared with the original for corrections before a fina' version is approved.

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THE ARTS

Television

A little paradise

It may not be entirely appropriate to thank Heaven for an atheist, but I shall do so anyway since if it were not for John Mortimer and his *Paradise Postponed* (ITV) the autumn schedules would be a dreary vista stretching hopelessly away to Christmas. As it is, we can rely on a regular Monday night ticket to Mortimer's Thames Valley, where robust characters move with grace and wit through an increasingly enthralling plot.

At first, the puzzle of why *the socialist Revd* Simeon Simcox should have left his brewery shares to the rapacious Tory minister Leslie Titmuss seemed of little consequence. Now it is stealthily assuming the proportions of an eternal mystery, as we are taken back in time to meet young Titmuss, an awkward stripling who is humiliated by *the neighbourhood jeunesse dorée* at a Young Conservative dance. The only person who *hates the blue bloods more* than Titmuss is the daughter of the valley's most prominent aristocratic family, and by the end of last night's hour this hideous pair had manipulated their parents into giving their blessing for a wedding by pretending that the bride was pregnant.

The series is packed with *lovingly created period detail* to which the director, Alvin Rakoff, adds a luxurious veneer of glamour. Rakoff evidently has a special relationship with the clerk of the weather. His landscapes are suffused with a hazy golden glow in which the Thames glints with a steely blue.

Mortimer has a curious trick of viewing his characters with enormous affection but with absolutely no pity. They are almost all unattractive individuals but nonetheless sympathetic, and there are some memorably unselfish performances. Jill Bennett's withered beauty, Lady Grace, is a masterpiece of malevolence. Zoë Wanamaker as her lumpish daughter almost vibrates with cussed defiance and David Threlfall's Titmuss, last seen practising upper-class diction by mimicking the radio cricket commentators, is plainly a monster in the making.

Celia Brayfield

Galleries: new exhibitions out of town

A chance to revalue forgotten talents

Lucien Pissarro
Royal Museum, Canterbury

Byam Shaw/ John Farleigh
Ashmolean Museum, Oxford

John Buckland Wright
Bohun Gallery, Henley-on-Thames

Enterprise in art exhibitions is not necessarily these days the prerogative of the London galleries — if, indeed, it ever was. *And this is particularly* true when it comes to rediscovery and revaluation: you are just as likely to find a half-remembered name redefined in Canterbury, or Oxford, or Henley-on-Thames as you are in the middle of the West End. At present there is an interesting selection of look-again shows not too far from London, and, while it would be too bold to say that any one of them is worth half a *day of anyone's time, certainly* if you think just seeing the name, that you might be interested, then none of them is likely to disappoint you.

The centrepiece of the Canterbury Festival, on the art side, is a show devoted to that (except in antiquarian bookshops) half-forgotten figure Lucien Pissarro, and particularly his influence on English art. This chimes very well with the theme of the festival as a whole, which is this year the interrelation between French and British cultures: other exhibitions, on for the duration of the festival (until October 18) or longer, include such subjects as *The Art of Silk-Weaving and the Huguenot Tradition, From Delacroix to Dubuffet* (which compares the independent prints and the book-work of French artists during that period), and *Six French Women Painters*, all of whom are resident in England. But in most ways the connections between the two countries are most dramatically illustrated by the Pissarro show.

If we say that Lucien Pissarro is only half-forgotten, that is because the half that is generally remembered is the avid correspondent with his father Camille. But unless one is interested in turn-of-the-century private-press books in Britain it is highly unlikely that the name calls up any very concrete visual image. In this show the book-work, with its exquisite colour woodcuts, does undoubtedly come out best: even Lucien's early *paintings, before he had what* was obviously a quite debilitating stroke in 1897, are not *all that remarkable*: there is a surprising touch of almost primitive awkwardness about *them. But, as soon as he is* faced with the technical disciplines of some graphic process, then his talent pulls itself together, he takes artistic decisions (and generally the right ones) and creates his own delicate, pastoral world with extraordinary sureness of effect.

We can see, too, that the influences go both ways: in the engravings especially, he is clearly and fruitfully influenced by the Pre-Raphaelites, and by his new English friends Shannon and "Riquette", as well as spreading the word, from a parental horse's mouth, about what French Impressionism really meant, for the benefit of a number of English painters who fondly thought they were Impressionists but in Lucien's opinion had somehow got Impressionism all mixed up with Realism. The later paintings are a bit of a let-down, though they have their moments — a view *of the railway in south Lon*don, for instance, happily recalls his father's essays in the same genre. But it is fascinating to have the chance of seeing them at all and being able to make up our own minds.

Much the same might be said of the show of **Byam Shaw** at the Ashmolean until October 26 (accompanied until October 19 by a show of the wood-engravings of **John Farleigh**). There does not seem to have been a proper exhibition devoted to Byam Shaw since his death in 1919, when he was only 46. He too is *more than half-forgotten: in* his case the phantom lingers on because the school he co-founded *still* bears his name and is still going strong. Any further impression probably comes from his book-illustrations, mostly to Romantic poetry and in a crisp and ebullient style which is not so readily distinguished, at a glance, from that of near-contemporaries like Edmund J. Sullivan, Garth Jones and Henry Ospovat. But was he actually more distinctive than the illustrations might lead us to believe?

The show at the Ashmolean is at once highly enjoyable and deeply puzzling. Anyone coming into the room unbriefed could safely be defied to guess whether all the paintings there displayed were by the same artist, and if so what their correct chronological order must be. In *Silent Noon* (an *illustration, of course, of Ros*setti) in 1893 we see Shaw edging over towards Impressionism, yet *in 1900, with The Boer War* (a sad-looking lady standing by a slow-moving stream), the profusion of greenery is rendered with immaculate, slightly hallucinatory precision such as can hardly have been seen in English art since the early days of Pre-Raphaelitism itself.

Shaw is also capable of dashingly theatrical paintings, more history as seen by Beerbohm Tree than history taken neat, of Ruskinian landscapes, and, perhaps his most distinctive form, *of head-on full*-length figure compositions like *The Queen of Hearts* or the portrait of his fiancée *Evelyn Pyke-Nott*, which have more than a hint of the Aesthetic Movement about them. And in all these forms he is highly proficient. The only trouble is that, seeing them all together, we cannot help wondering whether the real Byam Shaw was ever quite persuaded to stand up and be counted.

That, needless to say, is something we can only start to ask when we have seen a one-man show like this — hence their immense usefulness. There is no doubt on that score about John Farleigh, though it is intriguing to see his measured progression in *his engravings from conser*vatism to modernity, without ever seeming to change direction radically or be any less himself.

John Buckland Wright, now, a collection of whose paintings, drawings and prints is to be seen at the Bohun Gallery, Henley-on-Thames, until October 9, is a more arguable case. He and Farleigh were close contemporaries, and both are best *known* for their prints, especially their book-illustrations. But, oddly, Buckland Wright developed in the opposite direction: his earlier works, such as the woodcut illustrations for the Halcyon Press Keats *Sonnets* (1927) and Poe stories, are much more modern-looking, with their distinct bows to Cubism and the French Deco designers, than his later and *better-known* work for the Golden Cockerel Press.

This may have been partly the medium (usually etching or copper-engraving) and partly the subject-matter, for he tended to get assigned discreetly and quite classily erotic texts, calling for a lot of well-endowed nymphs in skimpy nighties. It is, I suppose, very much a matter of taste, but I always find his work *in that form just faintly* sniggery and under-plain-cover, all too clearly destined for the libraries of those who would have liked to take *London Life* but did not quite dare. However, when not involved with the naughty-but-nice, he still remained a formidable designer, as one can see from the later wood-engravings for *Matthew Flin*ders's *Narrative* (1946). All of *this we can observe for our*selves from the Bohun Gallery show, and in addition get a rare chance to see some of his few oil paintings and drawings not related to the engraved work.

As with Byam Shaw, only *time will tell whether a one*-man show of this sort is going to elevate or depress the reputation. But, whichever way the judgement goes, in the arts any notice is finally better than no notice at all.

John Russell Taylor

More than a hint of the Aesthetic Movement in Byam Shaw's *The Queen of Hearts*

PUBLISHING

Illusions of power

It is now a little over a year since Frank Delaney, self-appointed book-trade pundit, announced in the pages of *The Listener* that he was worried about the state of publishing. There were too many take-overs, the money-men were moving in, conglomerates were gobbling up the independent publishers, the old author-publisher relationship was dying. Jackie Collins was top of the best-seller list. It was all very alarming.

The article caused no more than mild amusement in the book world. Someone pointed out that one of the "take-over beasts" that Delaney had forgotten to mention was Century Hutchinson, *a firm which* had recently recruited outside editorial consultants. Among them was one Frank Delaney.

Yet this week, as publishers set up their stalls at the annual works outing, the Frankfurt Book Fair, the talk will be all of the regeneration of the independent publisher in the face of take-overs and mergers. As fast as old firms can join and form new alliances, exciting new firms, bristling *with talent and promise*, are springing up.

The pattern is becoming familiar. Two months ago, a trio of former Robert Maxwell employees announced that they were setting up Headline, a new imprint, publishing hardbacks and paperbacks, that was going to break the stranglehold of the conglomerates. Headline authors would have a say in the design of their jackets, receive regular sales print-outs and healthy advances.

The theme of author-power has been taken one step further by the newest show in town, Bloomsbury Publishing Ltd, whose creation was announced in a welter of *exclusives* and Press handouts a few days ago. They, like Headline, have an acceptable management mix of smooth marketing men and sympathetic editorial types, and their backing in the City is no less than £2m. Not only will they love and cherish authors but they will actually give them (or at least some of them) the opportunity to own a part of the firm's equity.

Authors might be forgiven for thinking that at last the balance of power between *publisher and the author* was to be redressed in their favour. In addition to Headline and Bloomsbury, three new and reasonably independent publishers are unveiling their lists at Frankfurt: Roger Houghton Ltd, backed by the venerable and somewhat dull J.M. Dent list, Mildmay Books, set up by two former Hutchinson employees, and Boxtree, a publishing offshoot of the TVS television company. Advances have returned to the level of the heady days before publishing's much-publicized recession.

Earlier this month, paperback rights to a first novel, *The Dragon Riders* by Christie Dickason, went to Coronet for £102,000. Another historical novel, *Perdita's War* by the former publisher Daphne Wright, has sold to America for $93,500. Is is possible that *for authors a new day is* dawning?

Hardly. Mark le Fanu, general secretary of the Society of Authors, who has greeted Bloomsbury with enthusiasm, is currently engaged in a significant tiff, much publicized at the weekend, with Frank Delaney's colleagues at Century Hutchinson over a *Minimum Terms Agreement* proposed for all contracts. Fabers, Hamish Hamilton, BBC Publications and W.H. Allen have so far agreed to the terms. Century Hutchinson, under the leadership of the cool Anthony Cheetham and his even cooler wife, Rosemary, have not.

Century Hutchinson is a thoroughly *contemporary* establishment. Its most successful books have been prettified *editions of minor classics*, such as *Lark Rise to Candleford*, on which, since they are out of copyright, no royalty is payable. There is a certain irony here. Century were established some five years ago by a smooth yet sympathetic management team with the help of hefty backing from the City. The new list, it was announced, was going to be all about writers, treated and published *as they deserved to be.*

Author-power may still be some way off.

X. Libris

Hilary Finch reports on the strange jury decision at the Liszt Piano Competition in Budapest

Winner without the prize

Mocsári: rare talent

In the year of the 175th anniversary of his birth and *the centenary of his death*, Liszt Ferenc has been celebrated energetically in every corner of his native Hungary. Festivals have proliferated, party-political style portraits have been hung over the altar in the Basilica of Esztergom, and the original building of the Conservatoire reopened in Budapest as a museum to his *memory. The climax came in* the finals of the 24th International Liszt Piano Competition. *The anticlimax came* when, after 16 days of heats and semifinals, involving 42 young artists, no first prize was awarded.

The jury was an unusually well-balanced team of critics, artists and professors, including Joan Chissell, Zoltán Kocsis, György Kroó and Harold Schonberg. The bewilderment and frustration at their decision was almost tangible on that last night in the Liszt Academy. For in Károly Mocsári, who was placed second, the competition had that rare creature: a pianist whose daring and originality equalled his musical intelligence and technical virtuosity.

A tousle-haired 23-year-old wild boy from north-east Hungary, Mocsári shuffles on to the platform as if playing were the last thing on his mind. There were entrepreneurial murmurs about the need to send him to a finishing school; but it was precisely the unfinished and the unpredictable in his playing which marked *him out from his* fellow competitors. His Liszt B minor Sonata (the compulsory piece for the semi-finals) came at the end of a day of six, and yet actually made me want to hear still more. The opening notes compelled near-mesmeric attention *in* the audience: and the work's huge span held within it a plethora of shades and shapings.

The competitors, partnered in the finale by the Budapest Philharmonic conducted by András Ligeti, had the choice of Liszt's First or Second Concerto. Mocsári chose the First, and brought to it a crackling volatility. Considerable risks were taken, and justified. The hands would *dissociate themselves from a* gleaming volley of octaves by kicking away at the end of a phrase; then the pianist as hero would as suddenly step aside to eavesdrop on the orchestral soloists. Mocsári's imagination as accompanist was one of the most significant aspects of his musicianship.

Despite a jury decision *which, in its impenetrable* secrecy and ostensible pedantry, does little for the reputation of piano competitions, Mocsári carried away some £2,500 in prize money, the winner's promised engagements with Hungarian television and radio, and an envelope full of invitations from international festivals. He won the Terence Judd award in Britain two years ago, and must be persuaded to *return very soon.*

It was encouraging, at least, that in a competition of unusually high standards and stimulating artistry Mocsári was placed marginally higher than either Dimitri Racer or Vladimir Sakin from the Soviet Union. Both nearly 10 years older than Mocsári, and approaching the age limit of 35, these were pianists of considerable maturity and authority, but never quite the insight or *esprit of Mocsári.*

Racer, who was placed third, treated the Liszt Sonata, utterly convincingly, as melodrama: he is a pianist of big, brooding gestures, working the piano at times like a mighty organ, and with both the stamina *and sense* of fantasy to realize his aims. Sakin, whose cavernously Romantic Schubert transcriptions I particularly enjoyed in *the Gala Concert*, was technically one of the most interesting competitors. With hugely strong hands, *capable of driv*ing momentum or dissolving into the most liquid of pianissimos, he made both his Sonata and Second Concerto more physically than interpretatively exciting.

Opera

The Capture of Troy

Grand, Leeds

Nothing could emphasize the integrity of Berlioz's epic more strongly than a performance that stops part*way through: when the curtain* falls after the Trojan women's bloodletting in this vivid new production, one feels intensely that this has been the prologue, that the show must go on. But, reasonably enough, Opera North and their collaborators on this grand venture, the Welsh and Scottish companies, have felt that the work needed gradual assembly, and so for the moment audiences in Leeds, Nottingham, Manchester and Hull will be seeing just the first two acts of *The Trojans*, and must wait a while for the unfolding of the drama in Carthage.

But the rest should be worth waiting for. Tim Albery's production is almost devoid of décor, so that nothing should distract from the tidal movements of the chorus as they flood across the stage in joy, solemnity or hysteria. One detects, perhaps, some beneficial influence from Peter Stein's *Otello* production for Welsh National Opera: in any event, the chorus are similarly handled as a vigorous crowd of individuals. They also make a tremendous noise, full-throated and immediate. *The Trojans* is revealed as very much a choral opera, befitting its name.

The directness of the production is helped too by the historically unspecific *costuming. There is some* flowing classical drapery: there are also Grecian helmets and breastplates. But heroic-age skirts are happily avoided in favour of trousers, and the clothes for the chorus, all black, make them look rather like contemporary earthquake victims, as anyone might after a 10-year siege. Indeed the only major fault in the production is that it gives such a poor evocation of the wooden horse: *something could surely be done to* suggest the entry of the thing behind the shell-blasted panels that are a notable feature of the set.

Other slightly wooden aspects of the production will no doubt settle down during the run. In the performance I saw there was an unfortunate deliberateness to some of the *coups de théâtre*: the discovery of Cassandra beneath a heap of scarlet cloth, the potentially striking entry of Andromache in white, or the formation of a *tableau between Hecuba and Andro*mache leaning over Andromache's son. Other figures, though, are already exactly right: notably the presentation of Priam as a lama, but in purple, not saffron, and the solid blue-suited appearanace of Choroebus.

Sympathy and restraint: Richard Salter, Kristine Ciesinski

The cast is led by Kristine Ciesinksi as a Cassandra who could afford to be more violent, more impulsive. As it was her vocal attributes sounded under-used; there was a degree of caution and care to the performance, though the demonic sacrificial victim of the last scene had her skimming out from her whiteness of tone. Richard Salter is a sympathetic Choroebus, and the American tenor Ronald Hamilton shows something of a Vickers-like suffering rasp as Aeneas. Clive Bayley makes a powerful moment of the appearance of Hector's ghost, and the restoration of *the Sinon episode, never heard* before, provides the opportunity for a skilful cameo performance from *David Hillman.*

This episode usefully introduces *the motif of the wooden horse*, and was presumably cut by Berlioz only for reasons of length. It has been orchestrated for the occasion by Hugh Macdonald, who is also responsible for the admirable translation. David Lloyd-Jones conducts an orchestral performance which could have more nerve and knife.

Paul Griffiths

LPO/Tennstedt

Festival Hall

Having lately began his gramophone recording of the Beethoven symphonies with *the London Philharmonic Or*chestra, Klaus Tennstedt perhaps anticipated one future issue with his conducting of the "Eroica" Symphony on Sunday afternoon. It was an imposing performance, invigorating as well as resplendent, which left nobody in any doubt of the music's passionate feeling as it changed *from movement to move*ment, without becoming merely indulgent.

Whether Mr Tennstedt has yet convinced himself about *his intentions I am not so sure.* Last time I heard him conduct the work he made much of six horns strung out in a row, as well as triple woodwind. This time the horns were, again doubled to six, but the woodwind was confined to the *usual pairs. The trumpets*, however, acquired an extra pair simply to reinforce a couple of phrases in the Funeral March movement.

*It seemed a curious extrava*gance without also bringing them in at least for the *Prometheus* theme in the finale, and not particularly justified when the resulting *balance gave the horns an* almost Mahlerian prominence. These were properly *scaled back to three in the trio* of the scherzo movement, which formed a cheerful interlude between tragic intensity and a finale that almost generated its own momentum.

The playing had a vivacity of spirit and ensemble character that gave consistent pleasure, more so than in support of Peter Donohoe for the B flat Piano Concerto, No 2, that began the programme. The orchestra kept to oddly narrow *dynamic limits in the* alternation of loud and soft passages, over a rhythmic pulse that sometimes seemed unduly laboured.

It was more rewarding to enjoy the keyboard writing under the pianist's supple fingers, less concered with any sense of personal improvisation than with sensitive articulation of all three movements. The adagio movement was brought to a beautiful hushed ending, and, if the displaced accents in the finale were left as sober syncopation on this occasion, they thereby linked the concerto more closely to its 18th-century provenance.

Noël Goodwin

Concerts

Salutary emphasis on text

BBCSO/ Pritchard

Albert Hall/Radio 3

It was as if Sir John Pritchard and his forces had taken note that, only a week before their performance of *Britten's War Requiem*, Sharansky had been speaking on human rights at the same time and in the same place. For this performance, the second concert in the Britten/Tippett Festival, seemed to be drawing out by *close and specific textual* emphasis the fact that the seeds of war lie in every second of verbal and emotional as well as physical violence.

Sir John and the BBC Symphony Orchestra played down the orchestral drama, the illustrative reality of war. *The ear was directed instead* to the players of the London Sinfonietta, conducted by David Atherton, acerbic in their taut tracking of the solo *voices' questionings*, and startling in Owen's Curse of the Cannon by the sheer virtuosity of double-bass tremolando.

Space was ceded, too, for the corporate cries of the BBC Symphony Chorus and London Philharmonic Choir. Brisk, light upbeats and yielding orchestral textures lit their sharply rhythmic entries from behind. And it seemed as if extra care had been taken with *the placing and weighting* of every vowel and consonant, from the pattering menace of the men's "Dies irae" to the flame-like oscillations of the tenor line in "Confutatis maledictis".

In this performance even the *Westminster Cathedral* Boys' Choir were something less, or perhaps I should say more, than angels. They sang from the highest balcony but *with hard*, abrasive accents which coloured their words with a steely irony.

It was above all the soloists who gave such close human *focus to this performance* of the Requiem. Felicity Lott may not have the weight or diaphragm power to hurl "Liber scriptus" up and over the top. But her emphasis on the pity rather than the power of divine judgement fitted both this performance and her own vocal scale.

*Philip Langridge's elo*quence of timbre and almost declaimed inflexion frequently reinforced poignancy with a sense of latent anger. John Shirley-Quirk, the supreme orator of this work, sang with a voice that has grown long and deep into the part. His denial of the possibility of regeneration in the *words "Not so" resonated on* through the long final tunnel duet; and on Sunday night there seemed little light at the end.

Hilary Finch

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Kinnock derides 'spineless' Hatton

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general secretary, said last night: "There is now a vacancy for the post of deputy leader of the Liverpool Labour Group."

The belief of Mr Kinnock and his colleagues was that the way the Militants had dodged the final confrontation had badly weakened their non-Militant support on the Left. In the event, only the bakers and furniture trades unions and left-wing constituency party delegates supported the Militants in their forlorn cause.

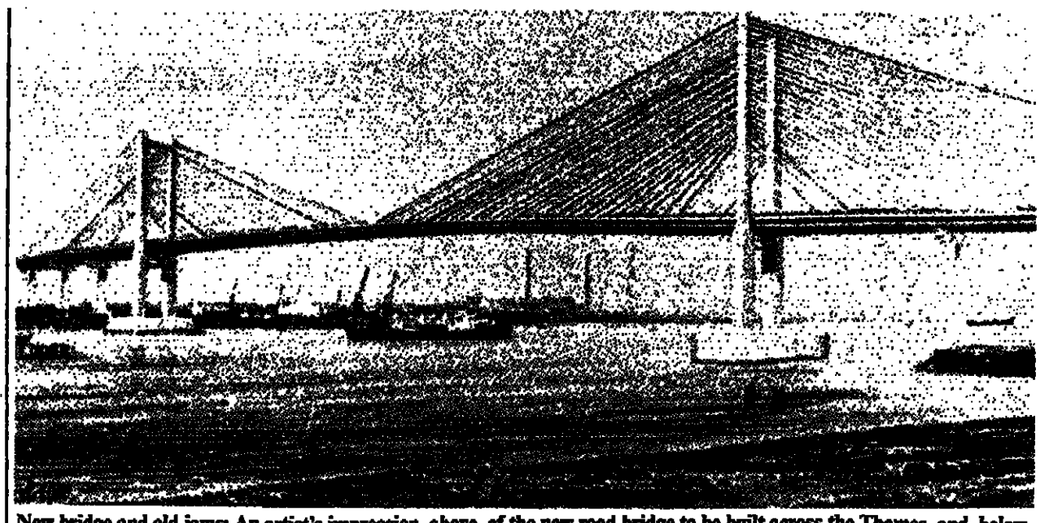
Mr Hatton's last stand was both dramatic and farcical. He and his teamwere to have been given five minutes to make their case against expulsionsbut when a senior official went to fetch them one by one, they refused to go to the rostrum, complaining that they were not being allowed enough time and that the hearing should be in public.

Mr Hatton led his colleagues out to protest: "It was a show trial and kangaroo court. We were not prepared to give credibility to a farce or to see the British labour movement appear more akin to Stalinist Russia than a democratic Labour Party."

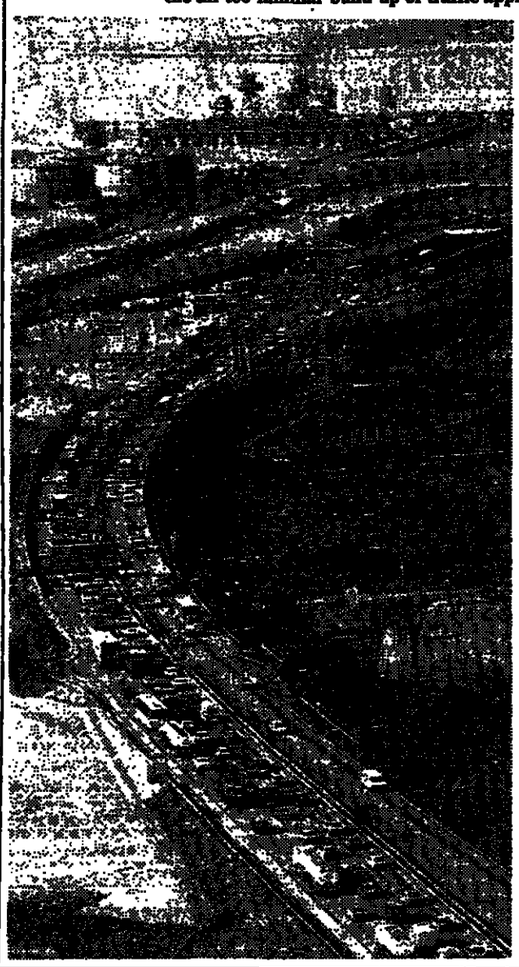
Mr Kinnock was contemptuous: "I am not surprised by their behaviour. These are the people who purported to speak for the rank and file of the Labour Party, but when it came to it they did not have the spine to speak for themselves."

The eight Militants expelled are Mr Hatton, Mr Mulhearn, Mr Tony Aitman, Mr Roger Bannister, Mr Terry Harrison, Mr Ian Lowes, Miss Cheryl Varley and Mr Richard Venton.

In a later vote in closed session, the leadership received narrow backing over the expulsions of two members of Mr Roy Hattersley's Birmingham Sparkbrook party. A move to reinstate Mr Kevin Scally and Mr Amir Khan immediately was defeated by 3,443,000 votes to 2,715,000. But the NEC is to carry out another study of their case in view of a likely legal challenge.



New bridge and old jams: An artist's impression, above, of the new road bridge to be built across the Thames, and, below, the all-too-familiar build-up of traffic approaching the north end of Dartford Tunnel.



£86m bridge will aim to beat M25 tunnel jams

By Rodney Cowton
Transport Correspondent

A new £86 million bridge is to be built across the River Thames in London to relieve congestion in the Dartford tunnels created by extra traffic from the M25 motorway.

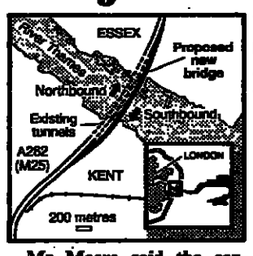
It is expected to come into use in 1990 and will carry all southbound traffic while northbound traffic will be channelled through the existing tunnels. The project will need parliamentary approval.

Announcing that the contract was being awarded to the Trafalgar House group, the Transport Secretary, Mr John Moore, said the proposal for a four-lane bridge was the best and cheapest solution.

Trafalgar House had also offered a tunnel crossing as an alternative solution, as had two competing firms, Balfour Beatty and John Mowlem.

The project is expected to create about 5,500 man-years of work, half of it steelwork in the north-east where unemployment levels are particularly high.

The bridge, about 50 yards east of the existing tunnels, will have a main span of 500 yards, the largest of its type in the United Kingdom, an overall length of 3,000 yards, and provide about 60 yards of clearance for shipping.



Mr Moore said the construction of the bridge would double present capacity and together with the tunnels would be able to handle projected traffic growth up to the year 2015.

As with the Channel tunnel, the bridge will be financed by private capital. Trafalgar House will operate it and retain tolls for not more than 20 years, or until outstanding debts on the tunnels and the costs of the new bridge and of operating the whole crossing are cleared.

The crossing would then revert to the nation.

Mr Moore said tolls would be kept at present levels in real terms.

Trafalgar House are buying the tunnels at a cost believed to be about £50 millions and will be seeking to raise about £200 millions in the City

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50 police in hunt for killer

An elderly man found dead in his room at a small hotel near central Bristol had been beaten to death, police said yesterday.

As a murder hunt involving 50 detectives got under way, Det Supt Roger Bray said the killer had ransacked the victim's room at the Colston hotel in Cheltenham Road.

He said it was an extremely violent attack. The man had been severely beaten about the head and body. No weapon had been found.

The dead man was from Gloucestershire, but his name has not been released.

He was discovered on Sunday night lying fully clothed in his ground floor rear room at the small hotel, which is regularly used by commercial travellers.

Police are trying to trace his movements during the 36 hours before his body was discovered.

Four killed in head-on crash

Four young people were killed and a lorry driver was seriously injuredwhen a car was in head-on collision with a lorry in the Irish Republic early yesterday.

The two girls and two men who were travelling in the car, all aged between 18 and 21, died in the accident, which happened in their home town of Athy, Co. Kildare.

Two railway stations open

A £¼ million station financed by British Rail and local councils opened at Welham Green, Hertfordshire, yesterday.

London Fields station in Hackney also reopened yesterday—five years after being destroyed by fire. It cost £½ million to rebuild.

Envoy moving

Singapore (AFP) — Mr Stapleton Roy, aged 53, the US Ambassador to Singapore, is returning to Washington for reassignment in the State Department, the embassy announced yesterday.

Frank Johnson with Labour

The Gastronomic Tendency battle

This year an attempt was going to be made by Mr Kinnock, and his allies, to "manage" the conference, and convince the country that the Labour Party was made up of normal people. Although banned from the conference proceedings, we of this newspaper travelled north to interview MPs, delegates, fellow-journalists and other survivors, as well as the injured, rescue workers, police and the bereaved.

First reports said that the Deputy Leader, Roy Hattersley, was among the victims. Eye-witnesses said that Mr Hattersley had been attacked in an economic debate by Mr George Galloway, a rising figure in the party who is the prospective parliamentary candidate for Mr Roy Jenkins's constituency of Hillhead.

Since the present writer's absence abroad, a great persecution of Mr Hattersley has begun among all classes in the country. This column can claim to be among the pioneers in drawing attention to Mr Hattersley's inconsistences. But this has now got out of hand. Mr Hattersley is accused of spending too much time in places with names such as the Gay Hussar.

This would do him some good with certain elements of the Left, if it were true that, as the name might at first suggest, the Gay Hussar were a meeting place of the non-straight community. But it is a distinguished Soho restaurant. So Mr Hattersley is denounced for entering such premises. After working hard on a speech threatening to tax the conspicuous consumption of the rich, the poor man cannot now sit down to a simple, three-course meal, with a couple of wines, preceded by a glass or two of champagne and finished with brandy and cigars, the whole thing paid for by a journalist of the monopolistic press, without his being accused of being some kind of a hypocrite. We in this column never intended our original criticisms of him to go this far.

Without mentioning Mr Hattersley by name, Mr Galloway began by saying that Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, had been "getting off too easily". This is said to be Labour Party code for Mr Hattersley's alleged ineffectiveness against Mr Lawson in the Commons and in the country as a whole. At Mr Galloway's remark, the television screen showed Mr Hattersley on the platform,slowly turning his head from side to side in dissent.

Mr Galloway then dissented from something Mr Hattersley had done "at the Waldorf Astoria". He was referring to a speech which the Shadow Chancellor had made to some bankers in the famous New York hotel, a speech the purpose of which was said to be to reassure the bankers about Labour's economic policy. But many delegates undoubtedly took it as meaning that Mr Hattersley had been at the *flambé* tuck again.

Mr Hattersley's error at the Waldorf Astoria, in the eyes of Mr Galloway, was not to have been sufficiently in favour of exchange controls. The Left agreed with Mr Galloway about that too, although their broader critique was undoubtedly gastronomic rather than economic.

Replying to the debate, Mr Hattersley — to whom the conference eventually gave the benefit of the doubt by voting in favour of his and the leadership's economic policy — implied that he was not unsound on exchange controls. As for the contest with Mr Lawson, "I wish we could have one. I wish he would come out of his corner and fight."

As for the Waldorf Astoria, he perhaps contemplated reassuring the conference with the view that it's gone down, y'know.

Earlier, the two Liverpool Militants, Mr Hatton and Mr Mulhearn, were expelled amid slow-handclapping, angry walk-outs (their own), and cries of pain. It was awful to be outside and know that one could do nothing to make things worse.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Prince of Wales attends an informal meeting of Agriculture Ministers of the European Community, Old England Hotel, Bowness-on-Windermere, 8.55; and then visits the Royal Windermere Yacht club, Bowness-on-Windermere, Cumbria, 12.35; later, as President, of the Royal Jubilee and Princes' Trust, visits the Civic Centre, Sunderland, in connection with the Prince of Wales commercial Venture Scheme, 1.45.

The Duke of Gloucester opens the new company headquarters of Charles Hammond and the London Interior Designers Centre, 1 Cringle St, SW8, 3.

Prince Michael of Kent, President, the Institute of the Motor Industry, visits Norton Motors, Lichfield, 10.15, and Reliant Motors, Tamworth, 2.30.

New exhibition

Queen Elizabeth's Hospital: 400 years of school history; Bristol City Museum, Queen's Rd; Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (ends Oct 31).

Exhibitions in progress

Animals in Art: prints by 20th century artists; McBey Print Room, Art Gallery and Museum, Schoolhill, Aberdeen; Mon to Fri 10 to 12 and 2 to 4 (ends Nov 27)

Work by Eileen Lawrence; Artiste, 1 Pierrepont Place, Bath; Tues to Sun 9 to 5.30 (ends Nov 2).

Work by Jonas Suyderhoff; Charrington Print Room, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge; Tues to Sat 2 to 5, Sun 2.15 to 5 (ends Oct 19).

Last chance to see

Political cartoons through the ages with over 300 original Vanity Fair cartoons and a complete range of Hogarths works; Antiquarian Book and Print Services, 112 South St, Eastbourne, 9 to 8.

Paintings and prints by Eric Gilboy; photographs by Val Corbett; engraved glass by Anne Micke-Lumsden; Wetheriggs Country Pottery, Clifton Dykes, Penrith, Cumbria, 10 to 5.

Photographs by John Kerr; Corridor Gallery, Lurgan College of Further Education, Kitchen Hill, Lurgan, Northern Ireland, 9 to 5.

Gunning and the Landscape, Clamp and the Figure; Museum and Art Gallery, Lichfield St, Walsall, 10 to 6.

Paintings and photography by Sue Rae and Mustafa Sami; Niccol Centre, Brewery Court, Cirencester, Glos, 10 to 5.30.

The past and present work of the Royal Greenwich Observatory; Royal Greenwich Observatory, Herstmonceux Castle, Hailsham, E Sussex, 10.30 to 4.30.

Tassie: portraitist of the Scottish Enlightenment; Scottish National Portrait Gallery, Queen St, Edinburgh, 10 to 5.

Three in One: comic festures, disturbed ground and sculpture unobserved; Collins Gallery, University of Strathclyde, 22 Richmond St, Glasgow, 10 to 5.

Music

Concert by the Scottish National Orchestra; Music Hall, Aberdeen, 7.30.

Organ recital by David Sheath; Bristol Cathedral, 1.15.

Canterbury Festival: piano recital by Ronald Smith; Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury, 7.30.

Talk, lectures

Over the Raise, by Ron Sands; Lake District National Park Visitor Centre, Brockhole, Windermere, 1.30.

Canterbury Festival: The Impressionists in Normandy, by Roger Porter; Old Synagogue, Canterbury, 5.

John Newton, craft resident, talks about his work; Art Gallery and Museum, Schoolhill, Aberdeen, 7.30.

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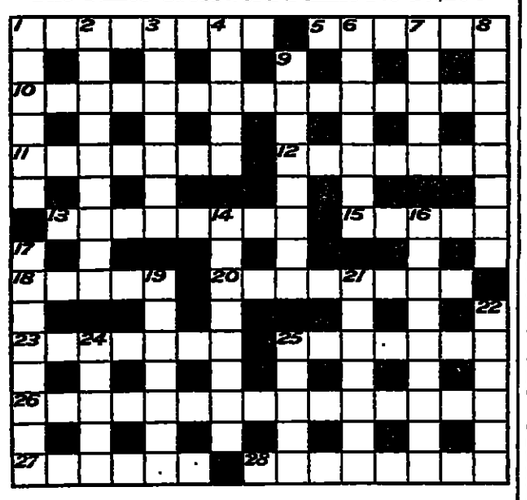

ACROSS

1 To enlarge, factory needs show of figures (8).
5 Sadly miss church leaders in such a break? (6).
10 Maybe Taff's harmony led in it (4,2,2,7).
11 Exposed to capture like a man on board (2,5).
12 One up in his product (7).
13 Reluctant to touch a foreign flower? Here's a rake (8).
15 Classic place to find a tailless insect (5).
18 Hebrew character going east in the sacred river (5).
20 Self-banking aircraft? (8)
23 Kind of diplomacy requiring craft in the main (7).
25 Tolerate the military marches on it (7).
26 Can impale things anyhow in the office (8-7).
27 Formerly part of Manchester, we hear, opposite to Bury? (6).
28 Condemn blockhead knocking one back inside (8).

DOWN

1 Rainy? Everybody inside in that case (6).
2 English phone-box being out of order, one dreads overseas calls (9).
3 But this in an animal's ear won't make it stone-deaf (7).
4 German conductor in quick Emperor section (5).
6 Peculiar dialect of the Kremlin, for example (7).
7 Standard of Euclid's fifth proposition accepted (5).
8 Quickly styled in Windsor, this motorway pressure (8).
9 Branch cricket-side taking bag (8).
14 Extremely hot, trio sang raggedly (8).
16 Pink in motor-race (9).
17 Bounty, tidy ship going east (8).
19 Clyde, for instance, needs cowl over chimney (7).
21 Marx whose complaint came to nothing (7).
22 VIP's the big one on the board (6).
24 Orderly over hospital in South Wales (5).
25 Frenchman caught by divers in the river (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 17,163

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TV top ten

National top ten television programmes in the week ending September21 :

BBC 1
1 EastEnders (Tues/Sun) 19.45m
2 EastEnders (Thurs/Sun) 18.40m
3 Only Fools and Horses 16.50m
4 Open All Hours 12.20m
5 Crimewatch UK 11.90m
6 First Blood 11.45m
7 Ever Decreasing Circles 11.30m
8 Howards Way 10.65m
9 Animal Squad 10.20m
10 In Sickness and in Health 10.15m
10 The Russ Abbot Show 10.15m

ITV
1 Coronation Street (Mon) Granada 16.20m
2 Coronation Street (Wed) Granada 15.25m
3 In Private, in Public: The Prince and Princess of Wales ITN 13.55m
4 Taggart STV 12.10m
5 A Tribute To Pat Phoenix Granada 11.95m
6 Blind Date LWT 11.95m
7 Crossroads (Wed) Central 11.70m
8 The Benny Hill Show Thames 11.65m
9 Crossroads (Tues) Central 11.45m
10 Emmerdale Farm (Tues) Yorkshire 11.00m
10 Crossroads (Thurs) Central 11.00m

BBC2
1 The Paul Daniels Magic Show 4.95m
2 Alas Smith and Jones 4.95m
3 Moonlighting 4.65m
4 Grandstand Special 3.80m
5 International Darts (Sun 18:31) 3.60m
6 Naked Video 3.40m
7 Star Trek 3.35m
8 The Spy in the Green Hat 3.35m
9 Royal Heritage 3.25m
10 Gardeners' World 3.25m

Channel 4
1 Brookside (Mon/Sat) 6.00m
2 Brookside (Tues/Sat) 5.60m
3 The Cosby Show 3.55m
4 The Party 3.35m
5 St. Elsewhere 2.75m
6 Budgie 2.75m
7 Gardeners' Calendar 2.70m
8 Golden Girls 2.40m
9 Themroc 2.35m
10 American Football 2.15

Breakfast television: The average weekly figures for audiences at peak times (with figures in parenthesis showing the reach - the number of people who viewed for at least three minutes): BBC1: *Breakfast Time*: Mon to Fri 1.3m (6.9m) TV-am: *Good Morning Britain* Mon to Fri 2.6m (10.3m) Sat 2.8m (8.3m) Sun 1.6m

Broadcasters' Audience Research Board.

Roads

The Midlands: M1: Contraflow between junctions 27 (A608) and 28 (A38); delays in rush hour. **M1:** Contraflow around junction 20 (A247).

Wales and West: A30: Temporary lights on the Exeter side of the Rockbeare between 9 am and 4 pm; contraflow between Exeter and Okehampton at Whiddon Down. **M5:** Lane closures between junctions 11 and 12 near Gloucester. **M4:** Contraflow between junctions 16 and 17 near Chippenham.

The North: M6: Both carriageways and slip roads subject to closures at junction 37 in Cumbria. **M62:** Contraflow between junction 7 (Rainhill) and Burtonwood services, Cheshire. **M63:** Major widening scheme at Barton Bridge, Greater Manchester; major restrictions and closures; avoid.

Scotland: M8: Contraflow between junctions 29 (Paisley) and 30 (Erskine bridge). **M90:** Two contraflows between junctions 3 (A92) and 8 (A91), Fife. **A74:** Contraflow on London Rd, Glasgow, between Carmyle Ave and Mount Vernon Ave.

Information supplied by AA

London Marathon

Today is the final day entries for the 1987 Mars London Marathon will be accepted. Application forms for the Marathon, which takes place on May 10, are available from any branch of the Nationwide Building Society and must be returned by 4.30 pm today.

Tower Bridge

Tower Bridge will be raised today at 10.30 am, 12.40 pm, 3.30 pm, 3.50 pm and 6 pm.

Weather forecast

Pressure will remain high over southern Britain but frontal systems will cross the N.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S, E, central N England, East Anglia, Midlands, Channel Islands: Sunny intervals developing after slow clearance of mist and fog patches; wind, SW light; max temp 20C (68F).

SW England, Wales: Mainly dry with bright intervals but hill and coastal fog patches; wind, southerly light; max temp 18C (64F).

NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Northern Ireland: Mainly dry, bright intervals, mist or fog patches near the coasts; wind, SW light or moderate; max temp 17C (63F).

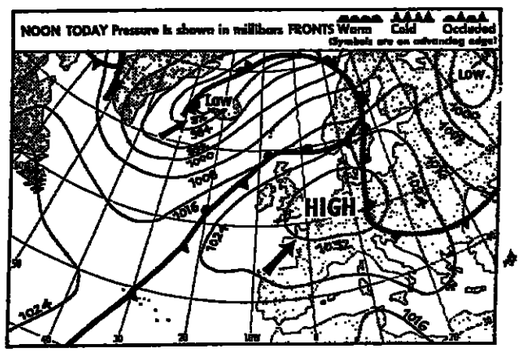
NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth: Mainly dry, bright intervals; wind, SW moderate; max temp 19C (66F).

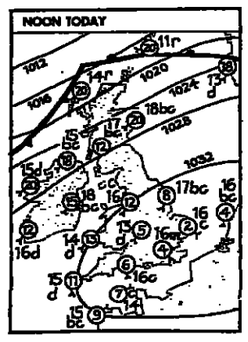
Central Highlands, Argyll: Becoming cloudy with rain at times; wind, SW moderate or fresh; max temp 15C (59F).

NE, NW Scotland, Orkney: Cloudy, rain at times, mist and fog over coasts and hills; wind SW fresh or strong; max temp 15C (59F).

Shetland: Cloudy with rain, hill and coastal fog; wind, SW fresh or strong; max temp 12C (54F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Occasional rain in the N. Mainly dry and sunny in the S after clearance of overnight mist and fog. Rather warm in the S and E but temperatures near normal in the N and W.





b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; mist-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. Temperature centigrade

Sun rises: 6.59 am Sun sets: 6.41 pm
Moon rises: 2.23 am Moon sets: 5.56 pm
New moon: October 3

Lighting-up time

London 7.11 pm to 6.31 am
Bristol 7.21 pm to 6.40 am
Edinburgh 7.22 pm to 6.45 am
Manchester 7.19 pm to 6.40 am
Penzance 7.34 pm to 6.52 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F
Belfast	c	16	61	Guernsey	d	13	55
B'ingham	c	17	63	Inverness	f	17	63
Blackpool	d	15	59	Jersey	d	14	57
Bristol	c	15	59	London	c	17	63
Cardiff	c	14	57	Mancester	c	15	59
Edinburgh	c	16	61	Newcastle	f	18	64
Glasgow	c	15	59	R'nldsway	c	15	59

High Tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge			12.19	5.6
Aberdeen			12.15	3.6
Avonmouth	5.35	9.7	5.54	10.5
Belfast	9.49	2.9	9.50	3.2
Cardiff	5.20	9.1	5.39	9.8
Devonport	3.58	4.3	4.15	4.7
Dover	9.39	5.6	10.01	5.6
Falmouth	3.28	4.1	3.45	4.5
Glasgow	11.50	4.0	11.22	4.2
Harwich	10.06	3.5	10.37	3.8
Holyhead	9.15	4.6	9.23	5.0
Hull	4.39	5.9	5.26	6.1
Ilfracombe	4.32	7.2	4.50	7.7
Leith	12.54	4.5	1.25	4.6
Liverpool	10.00	7.8	10.14	8.2
Lowestoft	7.25	2.1	8.55	2.2
Margate	10.18	4.0	11.00	4.2
Milford Haven	4.55	5.5	5.10	5.9
Newquay	3.50	5.6	4.05	6.0
Oban	4.53	3.2	4.59	3.5
Penzance	3.05	4.3	3.21	4.7
Portland	5.23	1.6	5.22	1.8
Portsmouth	10.10	3.9	10.24	4.0
Shoreham	9.50	5.2	10.10	5.2
Southampton	9.51	3.8	9.56	3.9
Swansea	4.45	7.4	5.03	7.9
Tees	1.57	4.5	2.35	4.8
Witon-on-Nze	10.12	3.4	10.46	3.7

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	7.3	-	21	70	sunny
Bridlington	7.3	-	22	72	sunny
Cromer	3.9	-	21	70	cloudy
Lowestoft	5.3	-	21	70	sunny
Clacton	6.4	-	18	64	sunny
Margate	x	-	20	68	sunny
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	7.5	-	18	64	sunny
Hastings	6.2	-	19	66	sunny
Eastbourne	6.7	-	19	66	sunny
Brighton	4.7	-	17	63	sunny
Worthing	5.9	-	18	64	sunny
Littlehmptn	5.4	-	19	66	sunny
Bognor R	6.6	-	18	64	sunny
Southsea	6.3	-	19	66	sunny
Sandown	5.1	-	19	66	sunny
Shanklin	x	-			
Bournemth	5.3	-	21	70	bright
Poole	3.0	-	19	66	cloudy
Swanage	3.8	-	19	66	bright
Weymouth	4.8	-	18	64	sunny
Exmouth	3.1	-	19	66	bright
Teignmouth	4.7	-	19	66	sunny
Torquay	6.4	-	20	68	sunny
Falmouth		-	18	61	dully
Penzance	1.4	-	17	63	bright
Jersey	2.3	-	19	66	bright
Guernsey	-	-	15	59	dull
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	3.3	-	17	63	sunny
Newquay	0.5	.01	16	61	cloudy
Ilfracombe	x	-	15	59	drizzle
Tenby	0.5	.01	15	59	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	x	-	20	68	sunny
Morecambe	-	.09	15	59	rain
Douglas	2.3	.01	18	64	bright
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London	3.5	-	20	68	bright
B'mam Airpt	7.2	-	21	70	sunny
Bristol (Civ)	1.1	-	18	61	cloudy
Cardiff (Civ)	1.0	.02	18	64	drizzle
Anglesey	-	-	15	59	cloudy
B'pool Airpt	0.6	-	18	65	drizzle
Manchester	2.6	-	20	68	cloudy
Nottingham	3.7	-	20	68	sunny
N'cstl-u-Tyne	x	-			
Carlisle	1.7	-	18	64	cloudy
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir	-	.21	15	59	drizzle
Prestwick	0.2	-	18	64	cloudy
Glasgow	1.3	.03	17	63	drizzle
Tiree	-	.12	14	57	rain
Stornoway	0.2	.05	15	59	rain
Lerwick	0.8	.58	15	54	drizzle
Wick	3.0	.02	18	64	showers
Kinloss	3.2	-	19	66	cloudy
Aberdeen	7.5	-	22	72	sunny
St. Andrews	2.4	-	19	66	cloudy
Edinburgh	0.1	-	18	64	cloudy
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	0.5	-	18	64	bright

These are Sunday's figures

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder

		C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	24	75	Cologne	s	18	64	Majorca	r	17	63
Akrotiri	s	29	84	C'phaga	s	17	63	Malaga	s	26	79
Alex'dria	f	29	84	Corfu	f	21	70	Malta	f	25	77
Algiers	f	23	73	Dublin	s	20	68	Melb'rne	s	14	57
Amst'dam	s	18	64	Dubrovnik	s	24	75	Mexico C'	f	19	66
Athens	f	26	79	Faro	s	26	79	Miami	s	31	88
Bahrain	s	38	100	Florence	s	21	70	Milan	s	21	70
Barbados				Frankfort	s	19	66	Montreal	c	14	57
Barcelna	s	23	73	Funchal	c	25	77	Moscow	sn	1	34
Beirut				Geneva	s	16	61	Munich	s	17	63
Belgrade	s	19	66	Gibraltar	s	23	73	Nairobi	t	27	81
Berlin	f	17	63	Helsinki	r	10	50	Naples	f	25	77
Bermuda	c	27	81	Hong K	r	27	81	N Delhi	f	26	79
Biarritz	f	18	64	Innsbruck	s	17	63	N York	f	19	66
Border's	s	19	66	Istanbul	f	21	70	Nice	s	24	75
Bou'me	c	13	55	Jeddah	s	35	95	Oslo	f	15	59
Brussels	f	17	63	Jo'burg	c	14	57	Paris	c	13	55
Budapest	s	19	66	Karachi				Peking	s	25	77
B Aires	r	13	55	L Palmas	s	25	77	Perth	s	23	73
Cairo	s	33	91	Lisbon	s	23	73	Prague	s	18	64
Cape Tn				Locarno	s	19	66	Reykjvik	r	8	46
C'blanca	s	24	75	L Angels	c	19	66	Rhodes	s	28	82
Chicago	f	24	75	Lxmbg	s	17	63	Rio de J	c	20	68
Ch'church	s	15	59	Madrid	s	20	68	Riyadh	s	39	102
								Rome	f	24	75
								Salzburg	s	17	63
								S F'isco	s	17	63
								Santiago	c	14	57
								S Paulo	d	12	54
								Seoul	f	12	54
								Sing'por	f	28	84
								St'kholm	f	15	59
								Strasb'rg	s	19	66
								Sydney	r	18	64
								Tangier	s	26	79
								Tel-aviv	f	29	84
								Tenerife	s	26	79
								Tokyo	r	20	68
								Toronto	c	17	63
								Tunis	fr	25	77
								Valencia	f	23	73
								Vanc'ver	r	13	55
								Venice	s	22	72
								Vienna	s	18	64
								Warsaw	c	16	61
								Wash'ton	c	21	70
								Wel'ton	s	13	55
								Zurich	s	15	59

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The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.36	2.54
Austria Sch	21.40	20.20
Belgium Fr	63.60	60.00
Canada $	2.055	1.965
Denmark Kr	11.44	10.84
Finland Mkk	7.48	6.98
France Fr	9.88	9.38
Germany Dm	3.035	2.865
Greece Dr	204.00	192.00
Hong Kong $	11.50	11.00
Ireland Pt	1.11	1.05
Italy Lira	2100.00	1980.00
Japan Yen	293.00	275.00
Netherlands Gld	3.43	3.24
Norway Kr	11.05	10.45
Portugal Esc	215.00	207.00
South Africa Rd	4.00	3.40
Spain Pta	197.50	187.50
Sweden Kr	10.33	9.78
Switzerland Fr	2.47	2.33
USA $	1.50	1.43
Yugoslavia Dnr	750.00	650.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC.

Retail Price Index: 385.9

London: The *FT* index closed down 25.8 at 1212.6

Anniversaries

Births: **Frederick Sleigh Roberts, 1st Earl Roberts**, field marshal, Cawnpore, 1832; **Hermann Sudermann**, writer, Matziken, Germany, 1857.

Deaths: **James Brindley**, canal builder, Turnhurst, Staffordshire, 1772; **Frederick Edwin Smith, 1st Earl of Birkenhead**, Lord chancellor 1919-22, London, 1930; **James Dean**, film actor, Paso Robles, California, 1955.

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STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1212.6 (–25.8)

FT-SE 100
1539.2 (–29.4)

Bargains
21631

USM (Datastream)
122.36 (+0.12)

THE POUND

US Dollar
1.4340 (–0.0160)

W German mark
2.9039 (–0.0390)

Trade-weighted
68.2 (–0.5)

Rugby ahead

Rugby Portland Cement yesterday reported pretax profits up from £6.9 million to £14.2 million for the first six months of 1986. Turnover rose from £107.1 million to £141.1 million. The interim dividend is increased by 6.9 per cent from 2.9p to 3.1p.

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Menzies rises

John Menzies, the Scottish newsagent, made taxable profits in the six months to August 2 of £4.5 million, a rise of 7.1 per cent on sales 3.9 per cent higher. The dividend was increased from 1.35p to 1.5p.

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Inchcape up

Inchcape, the overseas trading group, increased pretax profits from £36.2 million to £39.7 million in the first half of 1986, on turnover up from £931.1 million to £940.2 million. The interim dividend was maintained at 7.15p.

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BPCC offer

The British Printing & Communication Corporation's offer for Webb Company will be at an agreed price of $16.75 (£11.65) a share in cash, valuing Webb at $117 million.

Bronx plunge

Bronx Engineering is passing its interim dividend for 1986 after reporting a loss of £504,000, bigger than indicated in the March annual review. The deterioration was largely because of a considerable cost overrun on one contract and substantial currency variations associated with a contract for China.

No referral

Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, *has decided not to* refer to the Monopolies *Commission the proposed* takeover by Amstrad Con*sumer Electronics of* the assets of Sinclair Research.

New bank

Bank of Scotland and General Accident have been invited by the Countrywide Building Society of New Zealand to subscribe for 40 per cent and 20 per cent respectively of the shares of a banking company to be set up by Countrywide after the adoption by the New Zealand government of major changes in laws governing competition among New Zealand financial institutions.

BIM chief

Mr Brian Wolfson, chairman of the Anglo-Nordic Holdings engineering group and of the consortium which bought Wembley Stadium nine months ago, has been named as chairman of the British Institute of Management in succession to Sir Peter Parker.

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Base rate rise of up to 2% feared as pound weakens

By Rodney Lord, Economics Editor

Pressure for a rise in interest rates grew yesterday as the pound weakened. By the close of dealing, interbank markets were indicating a rise in base rates of at least 1 per cent – and possibly as much as 2 per cent – from the present 10 per cent level.

In the foreign exchange market, the trade-weighted sterling index closed at a new low of 68.2, well down on Friday's closing level of 68.7. The Bank of England was *thought to have intervened* to support the pound on a substantial scale.

The stock market reacted *apprehensively to the prospect* of higher interest rates and the FT 30-share index closed 25.8 points down at 1212.6, its largest fall *since the summer*. Gilt-edged prices, which last week had *shrugged off fears of* higher interest rates, finished 1 point lower after larger falls earlier in the day.

The pressure on sterling and associated fears of higher rates *mounted following the failure* at the weekend of ministers of the leading financial powers to agree in Washington on appropriate objectives for the world economy and a sustainable pattern of interest rates and exchange rates between their countries.

After the failure to agree any substantive programme of co-operation, the dollar opened about 2 pfennigs lower against the mark, at DM2.0290, compared with Friday's levels. But because of support from the West German central bank, trading in the US currency was relatively quiet.

Sterling was not so lucky, encountering steady pressure throughout the day. By the close it was also about 3 *pfennigs lower against the* mark at DM2.9033.

The focus of attention has switched to sterling in world currency markets, partly because of political uncertainties heightened by the party conference season and the ap*proach of a general election.* There is also concern about *the record trade deficit for* August, published last week, and the effect of lower earnings from North Sea oil.

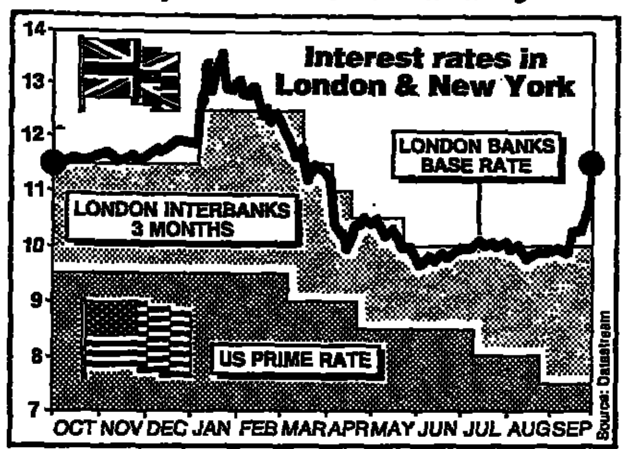
In the money markets, the Bank of England kept its dealing rates unchanged. But three-month money in the interbank market closed at around 11¼ per cent, compared with 10⅝ per cent on Friday. Generally, any gap of more than half a percentage point between bank base rates and interbank rates is thought to be unsustainable for long.

Market traders think it will be difficult to avoid a rise in rates. However, interbank rates *have been above base* rates before, for instance in January *this year with the* authorities successfullly *avoiding an increase.*

The timing of any rise will be governed partly by considerations of this week's Labour Party conference and next week's Conservative Party conference.

The Government will be anxious to avoid a rise over the conference period if it can. It will also have to take into consideration the announcement of the provisional figures for the money supply in the month to mid-September.

If these are likely to show a high rate of growth, the authorities will want to try to wait until the bad news is public.



Bank tries to weather storm by intervening in markets

From Bailey Morris and David Smith, Washington

The Bank of England will *try to ride out the storm which* is hitting the pound and threatening to produce a damaging and embarrassing rise in base rates.

Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the Governor of the Bank of England, said yesterday: "I hope we might get through this, as we did in January".

The pound fell to new lows yesterday in the wake of the failure of the leading industrial countries to agree on new measures to stabilize exchange rates.

Interest rates in the London money markets rose to a level consistent with a base rate level of 11 per cent, compared with the present 10 per cent.

"We have to let the situation settle down before we react, if we react at all." Mr Leigh-Pemberton, who is attending the annual IMF/World Bank meetings here, added.

The Governor said the *Bank of England had been* intervening in the market to *support the pound by selling* dollars. This was consistent with the line adopted by the EEC finance ministers at Gleneagles a week before the IMF meeting, he said, because the present situation was one of particular sterling weakness.

The present situation is a difficult one for the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, with *the Conservative Party con*ference next week and a rise in base rates looking like a clear failure of policy.

Mr Lawson was keeping a low profile in Washington yesterday, having said *on* Sunday that there is "an almost unhealthy preoccupation, in the markets and the Press, with very short-term concerns".

The danger is that delaying action on base rates carries the risk of increasing the size of *the increase that is necessary* to restore order to the markets. Already, some analysts in London are talking of the need for a two-point rise in base rates.

The pound, which was weak before the IMF meeting, was the main casualty of the failure of the finance ministers of the leading countries to agree concrete measures to preserve the present pattern of exchange rates.

The dollar fell sharply in the Far East yesterday morning but it was supported by the German and Japanese central banks. There was no concerted support for the pound, however, and so the Bank of England had to act alone.

US indicators 'rise 0.2%'

New York (AP-Dow Jones) – *The United States index of* leading economic indicators rose *0.2 per cent last month,* compared with July, according to *10 economists polled by* the Dow Jones capital markets report.

Increases in share prices and M2 are said to be behind the rise.

In July, the index showed a 1.1 per cent increase compared *with June.*

Among other components *thought* to influence the index are building permits and ini*tial state* unemployment claims.

However, Mr William Sullivan of Dean Witter Reynolds said that the index fell.

Launching the bid: Mr Pattie at St Katharine's Dock

British challenge from docklands

By Anne Warden

A £25 million development at St Katharine's Dock, East London, is to be Britain's bid for the proposed European Community Trade Mark Office, due to open in 1988 or 1989.

A "significant" financial package will be offered to support London's bid, Mr Geoffrey Pattie, Minister for Industry and Information Technology, said yesterday when he announced the choice.

Britain is thought to have been among the last of the nine or 10 competing member states to decide its site and yesterday Mr Peter Drew, chairman of the developers, St Katharine by the Tower Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Taylor Woodrow ,said that many of the financial arrangements had still to be completed.

The building, with about 8,700 sq metres of net usable floor space, will be close to the World Trade Centre, the new London Commodity Exchange and the St Katharine's marina. It is part of a development of up to five storeys with a piazza, which the Government believes fulfils the European Commission's stipulation that it should be a striking landmark.

The site is close also to the proposed short take-off and landing strip for flights to Europe, due to open next year.

Mr Pattie said that cost was the one drawback of the St Katharine's site but added that Britain's final proposal would differ little from the incentives being put forward by other bidders such as Munich, one of London's main rivals.

All the bids must reach the European Commission by today and the Council of Ministers is expected to produce a short list next year.

SIB chief welcomes protection scheme

By Lawrence Lever

Sir Kenneth Berrill, chairman of the Securities and Investments Board, yesterday welcomed the Government's proposals to impose an industry-wide compensation scheme to protect investors.

He said that he was "delighted with these new proposals for what must be a crucial element of protection for the small investor."

The "weakness" of compensation arrangements had been one of the most obvious gaps in the existing system of investor protection.

The Government is today tabling several hundred amendments to the Financial Services Bill, one of which will require the setting up of a compensation scheme which all the self-regulating organizations will be obliged to join.

The bill lays down a new system of investor protection, and will require all investment businesses to be authorized either by SIB or by joining a self-regulating organization.

The Government had originally intended to make SIB responsible for determining the best method of compensating investors who lose money through the failure or fraud of an authorized investment business.

However, it has become obvious to SIB, which favoured a central compensation scheme rather than a series of individual schemes set up by self-regulating organizations, that a statutory requirement for a central scheme was necessary to force the organizations to agree to one.

Record 3.15m awarded shares in TSB

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

A total of 3.15 million people will receive Trustee Savings Bank shares, by far the largest number recorded on a share issue, according to allocation details unveiled yesterday. But because of the huge oversubscription, most applications have been sharply scaled down and half *of those from non-priority* applicants have been eliminated in a ballot.

The largest allocation on priority applications is 1,000 shares and 10,000 on non-priority applications.

The issue is a substantial boost to private shareholding in Britain, more than equalling the estimated total number of existing private shareholders. The Stock Exchange recently put the number of individuals holding shares at about 2.75 million.

Mr John Hignett, a director of Lazards, said that more than 1000,000 of those receiving TSB shares were likely to be first time shareholders.

Details of the allocation released yesterday by Lazard Brothers, the merchant bank managing the flotation, *showed that exactly half of the* 3.7 million public applications will receive *no* shares as a result of the ballot which was held Saturday.

Most applications have been scaled down, although priority applicants – those assured of receiving shares – collect a higher proportion of the amount they asked for than non-priority applicants.

The only people to receive their allocation in full were priority customers applying for 200 or 400 shares and employees wanting up to 4,000. Public applications for the 400 share minimum will receive 300 shares.

Lazards said that the offer was more than seven times oversubscribed with £5.6 billion put up by 1.3 million priority applicants and 3.7 million public applicants. The applications added up to a total of 11.2 billion shares.

There were 145 aplications for more than 3 million shares which will *receive nothing* since the cost of processing the applications would be more than the profit they would have made on a small allocation of shares.

The cheques of unsuccessful applicants will be returned. *Those from people lucky* enough to be given shares *have been cashed already and* the difference will be returned *when the allocation letters go* out on October 9 – two days *later than expected because of* time taken to process so many cheques.

Lazards advised applicants *wanting to know quickly* whether they had received shares to check their bank balances later this week.

The TSB will receive £6.5 million in interest from the hundreds of millions of pounds of excess cash from oversubscription which goes on deposit for the next two weeks. That will cover about half the underwriting costs of the issue.

Half of the shares in the £1.5 billion issue were reserved for employees and priority customers. They were allowed to apply for up to 10,000 shares each, so there were more shares to go around and scaling down was less severe. The other half was shared between non-priority individuals and institutions with nc maximum application.

In each share category shown in the table, exactly half the applicants were eliminated by ballot.

In the meantime, more than 5000 suspected multiple applications are being investigated, Lazards said. Those found to be genuine will be allotted their shares – if they are eligible.

Allocation of the shares will be on the following basis:

Customer Priority Applications

1.3 million applications were received on customer priority application forms for approximately 2,300 million shares, and were allocated as follows:

Shares applied for	Allocated
200	200
400	400
600 to 1,000	500
1,500	550
2,000 to 6,000	600
7,000	700
8,000	800
9,000	900
10,000	1,000

Public Applications

3.7 million applications for approximately 8,7850 million shares were received on public *application forms.* Public applications for up to 3 million shares were balloted on a one in two basis as each level of application and shares were allocated to successful applicants as follows:

Shares allocated in respect of successful applications

Shares applied for	Allocated
400 to 600	300
800	350
1,000-2,000	400
2,500-10,000	500
15,000	600
20,000-70,000	700
75,000-1 million	700
1.05m to 3m	10,000

The 145 applicants for more than 3 million shares will not receive an allocation.

Canal stake

Carroll Group, the private property company planning a large out-of-town retail development near Hatfield, Hertfordshire, has increased its stake in the Manchester Ship Canal Company to 5.3 per cent.

Saudi move means firmer oil prices

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

Saudi Arabia yesterday withdrew half a million barrels a day from the world crude oil market, leading to firmer world oil prices and speculation that next week's meeting of the oil-producing nations will reach an agreement which will send prices further upwards.

The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries is to begin its meetings in Geneva on Monday.

Saudi Arabia's decision to temporarily halt exports from its Yanbu terminal on the Red Sea will have a serious impact on Iraq's exports.

Customers for Saudi oil will be able to pick up supplies from the Ras Tanura terminal, but most of the Iraqi crude flows through a pipeline to Yanbu and will be halted.

North Sea prices have moved up from around $13.50 a barrel to nearer $14.50, and many traders expect the Saudi decision to send prices to more than $15 a barrel by the time the Opec meeting convenes.

Iran, which initiated the current Opec agreement by suggesting that Iraq should be exempted from output restrictions, has been in talks with Saudi Arabia over the past two days. Iran's oil minister, Mr Gholamreza Aqazadeh, has met Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi oil minister.

Mr Aqazadeh said: "We expect the price of oil to reach $19 by the end of this year, and we will work to acheive this."

IMF ministers urge strategy to head off new debt crisis

From Bailey Morris and David Smith, Washington

Finance ministers of the industrialised nations gave a warning yesterday of a new debt crisis that could exceed that precipitated by Mexico in 1982 unless measures are implemented quickly to restore growth in developing countries.

The Interim Committee of the International Monetary Fund predicted at the IMF's annual meeting that the plight of debtor nations would deteriorate sharply this year, in a statement expressing concern over the uncertainties clouding the global economic outlook.

It said: "The debt export ratio of the indebted countries, which fell in 1984, rose in 1985 and seems likely to rise again in 1986 to a higher level than that prevailing at the outset of the debt crisis."

Ministers urged action on the stalled debt strategy agreed at last year's meetings in Seoul, South Korea, as negotiators worked in closed sessions to meet a midnight deadline on a new $6 billion (£4.1 billion) loan package for Mexico.

Mexico's stormy debt negotiations with its commercial bank creditors are considered a key test of the so-called "Baker Debt Strategy" unveiled by Mr James Baker, the *US Treasury Secretary at the* Seoul meetings.

Officials, noting that there is much at stake in a successful resolution of the Mexico talks, said if an agreement cannot be reached the entire debt strategy put in place by Western nations could collapse.

Mr Paul Volcker, The Federal Reserve Board *chairman,* said: "I hope the deadline is *going to be met. If not, we have* big problems."

The Mexico talks entered a critical phase as speculation grew among IMF officials that M Jacques de Larosière, the managing director, would announce during the meetings a new $200 million to $300 million bridging loan for Nigeria, often referred to as "Britain's Mexico" because of the large exposure of British banks.

Nigeria and the IMF have been at odds over exchange rate policies for the past few years, but the two have agreed on a letter of intent that will allow the African nation to draw on 650 million Special Drawing Rights (£390 million) to enact its economic stabilization programme.

The agreement was reached only after Nigeria successfully devalued the Naira.

The committee criticized the United States for slowness in reducing its huge fiscal and trade deficits. It said: "The *reduction in the Federal fiscal* deficit sought by US authori*ties has to be translated into* fact."

At the same time, the committee said growth in other countries, particularly the surplus nations, must be maintained at an adequate pace to pull the developing world through the present slow down. Even so, the rate of growth in developing countries, which fell last year, is expected to drop again this year.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	1748.03 (–21.66)*
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	18106.31 (–74.90)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	2064.30 (+29.94)
Amsterdam: Gen	274.6 (–10.4)
Sydney: AO	1257.2 (–1.7)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1952.8 (–32.2)
Brussels:	
General	3855.34 (–21.21)
Paris: CAC	386.2 (–2.2)
Zurich:	
SKA General	n/a

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INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 10%
3-month Interbank 11⅜-11¼%
3-month eligible bills: 11⅛-10⅞%
buying rate
US:
Prime Rate 7½%
Federal Funds 5¹⁵⁄₁₆%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.25-5.23%*
30-year bonds 94²¹⁄₃₂-94¼*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.4340	£: $1.4345*
£: DM2.9039	$: DM2.0265*
£: SwFr2.3553	$: Index: 110.1
£: FFr9.5132	
£: Yen220.33	ECU £0.719111
£: Index 68.2	SDR £0.840778

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
John Booth	86p (+10p)
Banro	183p (+12p)
Quest Automation	40p (+8p)
Allied Colloids	225p (+10p)
London & Contin.	80p (+14p)
Lopex	130p (+15p)
WPP Group	570p (+22p)
Egerton Trust	87p (+15p)
NMW Computers	265p (+15p)
FALLS:	
Glaxo	918p (–17p)
Hawker Siddeley	421p (–26p)
Royal Insurance	764p (–28p)
Nat. West. Bank	512p (–20p)
Federated Housing	96p (–18p)
BPB Industries	436p (–22p)
J. Mowlem	378p (–22p)
T. Robinson	310p (–16p)
Bowthorpe	545p (–25p)
McCorquodale	275p (–8p)
Dixons	324p (–12p)
A&P Appledore	190p (–18p)

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $429.45 pm-$427.00
close $428.00-429.00 (£298.50-299.50)
New York:
Comex $427.25-428.00*

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Private money to cross Thames

By Teresa Poole
Business Correspondent

The new crossing of the Thames at Dartford, announced yesterday, is the first example in Britain of an important infrastructure scheme to be financed by the private sector.

Under the concession, a consortium led by Trafalgar House will finance the construction of a four-lane bridge and take a lease on the existing tunnel crossings. It will have the right to all the toll charges until the costs of the project have been recovered, when it will hand back the assets at no cost to the Government of the day.

From the Government's point of view, money that would have been tied up in the bridge can be used instead for road building, while the risks — and time-consuming financial and contractural negotiations — of the traditional arrangements are avoided.

The total cost of the project will be about £200 million which includes £86 million of construction costs, the related financing costs, and some £50 million to pay off the debts on the existing Dartford Tunnel.

Last week, while attention was focused on the Channel tunnel private share placing, Casenove, the stockbrokers, was arranging a £70 million loan stock placing for the Dartford scheme. The rest of the money, mostly in the form of short-term loans, will be provided by a bank facility led by Bank of America.

Lord Rockley, at Kleinwort Benson, financial advisers to Trafalgar House, said: "This has passed the risk involved into the private sector. It is the first time any project has been handled in this way by Government."

He added that other projects such as the proposed second Severn Bridge, the barrage across the Severn, and even power stations could be financed in a similar manner.

The maximum concession period is 20 years but the consortium expects, on current traffic forecasts, to have recouped the investment within 14 years.

Boom in franchise businesses brings higher failure rate

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

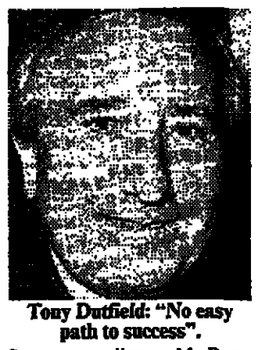
Businesses created by franchising have in a year increased in number by more than a half to nearly 20,000 while sales overall have jumped more than a quarter to more than £2.2 billion. It has raised the total number of jobs created in this sector by more than a third to 148,000.

The striking rate of growth, disclosed in a new survey* out yesterday, brought a warning from the British Franchise Association (BFA) whose director, Mr Tony Dutfield, said: "I am keen to sound a note of caution. Careful controlled growth must not give way to franchise euphoria."

The warning came as the survey showed a worsening in the failure rate among franchisors, the master businesses which expand by licensing their formats to franchisees. This past year about 14 per cent of franchisors have gone out of business, compared with 12 per cent traced in a 1985 survey. New and untried franchises were most at risk.

Mr Dutfield added: "There is no easy path to success through franchising, either for franchisors eager to expand too quickly or for franchisees unsuited to the way of life or too impatient to research their investment."

Franchising is for those prepared to live by the work ethic as seen in the United States, according to Mr Peter Stern, franchise manager at National Westminster Bank which sponsored the survey for the BFA.



Tony Dutfield: "No easy path to success".

Mr Stern said: "Franchising remains one of the success stories of the Eighties, but optimism has to be tempered with realism at all levels." Franchising evolved as part of the American dream that anybody could become successful through hard work and those without that real desire and motivation should look for their future elsewhere, he said.

He said the new franchisee had to beware of over-optimism and needed to learn the basic skills of selling and time management. Better and longer-term sales training than at present offered by some franchisors would be beneficial.

The 1986 survey is the third into British franchising carried out by Power Research Associates, market researchers and industrial surveys specialists, and each year the sector's performance has exceeded expectations, the BFA said.

With annual sales up 26 per cent in the past year, the industry is now on course for notching up £5 billion a year in sales by 1990 but the greater rate of growth being seen has led to expectations that turnover is likely to go to £6.1 billion during 1991. Already franchising accounts for 2 per cent of all retail sales.

In the year under review, there were 56 per cent more franchised businesses created while the number of franchisors rose 40 per cent to 440.

The number of jobs in franchising in the year has risen 35 per cent with women outnumbering men by six to four. This is partly because of the number of part-time jobs created but also because there are so many service businesses such as restaurants and shops.

The biggest growth areas in franchising are convenience retailing, business-to-business services and mobile food and drink operations. Fast-food retailing, now mature in franchising terms, is relatively one of the slower growing sectors.

*_Franchising: the industry and the market 1986_: £295 from Power Research Associates, 17 Wigmore Street, London W1H 9LA.

COMPANY NEWS

● **CENTREWAY TRUST:** First half of 1986. Turnover £15.17 million (£1.36 million). Pretax profit £171,000 (loss £67,000). Loss per share 2.0p (5.4p).

● **CENTREWAY INDUSTRIES:** (subsidiary of Centreway Trust): First half of 1986. Turnover £13.93 million (£14.95 million). Pretax profit £234,000 (£300,000). Earnings per share 0.9p (1.1p). Agreement has been reached for the sale of a subsidiary, Hermetic Rubber, for £695,000 in cash.

● **CHRISTIAN SALVESEN:** Salvesen Brick, a subsidiary, is planning to almost double its output with the construction of a £12 million brickworks in the Birmingham area. The purchase of a 10-acre site (and adjoining clay reserves) for £1.8 million from Leigh Interests has been completed. This new investment will bring Salvesen's production up to about 120 million.

● **FII GROUP:** Year to May 31. Total dividend 6.75p (6.25p). Turnover £16.33 million (£15.15 million). Profit, before tax and extraordinary items, £2.23 million (£1.75 million). Earnings per share 34.8p (25.8p). The current year has begun well.

● **AURORA:** The company has reached conditional agreement with Paul Sykes (Developments) to sell the site in Sheffield occupied by three Aurora subsidiaries. The combined result in 1985 for the three was a pretax loss of £746,481; the net book value of the property is £663,500. The board reports that it is not possible to give any estimate at present of the proceeds.

● **MILLER BUCKLEY GROUP:** The trading assets of Dividag Systems have been sold by Mr Richard Rees and Mr Mark Homan of Price Waterhouse, who were appointed joint-receivers on June 27. They were bought by the existing directors, backed by the Dyckerhoff and Widmann Group of West Germany, which first developed the process which Dividag marketed in Britain.

● **GIBBS MEW:** Agreement has been reached for the purchase of 13 public houses from J A Devenish for £1.5 million in cash.

● **UNILEVER NV:** The company has resumed the buying of Naarden International NV ordinary shares and has increased its holding to 51 per cent.

● **LAUGHTON & SONS:** Interim dividend raised to 0.8p (0.7p) for the first half of 1986. The board proposes to maintain the final at 0.8p. Turnover (net) £10 million (£9.35 million). Pretax profit £612,000 (£424,000).

● **GOODMAN FIELDER:** Year to June 30. Equity-accounted net profit Aus$23.60 million (£10.35 million), against Aus$9.18 million. Turnover Aus$623.59 million (Aus$316.80 million). Total dividend 10 cents (9 cents).

● **MAINMET HOLDINGS:** The annual meeting heard that latest orders will ensure that profits for the six months to Nov. 30 next will at least match last time's full-year profits. The directors are satisfied that this rate of growth will continue for the remainder of the current year and well into the foreseeable future.

● **PETROGEN PETROLEUM:** The company and Abraxas Petroleum, a Texas-based independent producer of oil, gas, and coal plan to merge. Abraxas will merge into a subsidiary of Petrogen, with Petrogen then changing its name to Abraxas Petroleum.

● **RUSH & TOMPKINS:** In response to the recent rights issue, 7.53 million convertible redeemable preference shares (about 88.4 per cent) were taken up.

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President named for Mobil Europe

Mobil Europe: Mr Joe Hinton becomes president, effective October 20 and Mr Thomas Deloach vice president and general manager of Mobil US, marketing.

National Investment Group: Mr Siva Singham has been made finance director.

Ross Foods and Young's Seafoods: Mr Barry Hannington becomes purchasing director.

Barry Hannington

3i: Sir John Cuckney joins the board and becomes chairman in July 1987.

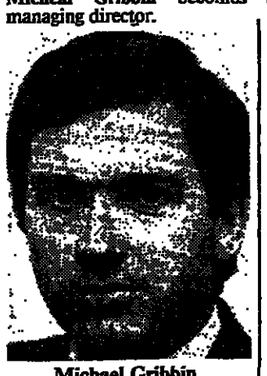
Bass: Mr DG Inns becomes financial director.

Union Carbide Corporation: Mr Jules Romary has been elected vice-president and secretary.

British Bloodstock Agency: Mr Tom Cooper joins the board as an executive director.

Norcros: Mr Roger Feaviour becomes director, distribution operations, Mr John Redwood joint deputy chairman, and Mr Martin Bunting and Mr Anthony Elliott non-executive directors.

Jardine Glanvill: Mr Micheal Gribbin becomes managing director.



Michael Gribbin

Baring Capital Investors: Mr Otto van der Wyck joins as managing director.

benchMark Technologies: Lord Birdwood becomes honourable chairman and director.

DJ Higgins & Sons: Mr RG Higgins is made managing director and Mr C Webster a non-executive director.

Home Brewery: Dr BC Kilkenny becomes chairman and Mr W McCosh joins the board.

Pitman Examinations Institute: Mrs Janet Elliott is made director-general.

Charles Barker Lyons: Miss Marilyn Andrews and Miss Gloriana Marks de Chabris become directors.

COMMODITIES REVIEW

Prospects improve for agreement on rubber

Rubber may have earned a new lease of popularity from the puppets in *Spitting Image*, but it occupies a low profile among the London commodities community.

London was once the centre of nearly the world's trade in rubber, but the advent of domestic ownership for the major Malaysian plantations has seen the focus of business move inexorably to the Orient.

The London rubber futures market, which never attracted much in the way of support from the tyre manufacturers, the main consumers, died a quiet death last year, to be replaced by an equally torpid contract in rubber index futures.

Nevertheless, there are around eight dealers in London who keep themselves busy handling the physical needs of European consumers by getting up early to catch the markets in Singapore and Malaysia.

Their attentions next week will be focused on Geneva, where the major consumers and producers of rubber will be meeting to try and hammer out a new International Natural Rubber Agreement (Inra).

The members of the International Natural Rubber Organisation (Inro) cannot be accused of one thing — giving up easily. The coming 12-day session will be their third attempt at achieving an agreement. However, it will probably be their last.

The present agreement runs out next September, and member delegates need the best part of 12 months to get any pact ratified at home.

The last round of talks broke down in May with consumers and producers unable to agree on a reference price for the new pact. The reference price — now 201.6 Malaysian cents a kilo — marks the limits at which the Inro buffer stock manager can buy or sell rubber to keep the commodity within an 81 cent price band.

The producers, led by Malaysia, wanted a hefty increase of some 30 per cent to compensate for rising production costs since the last agreement was drawn up in 1979. The big consumers, particularly the US, the Soviet Union and Japan, said that they could brook no increase and pointed to the pile of some 375,000 tonnes of rubber already in the hands of the buffer stock manager.

The impasse is a familiar one in commodity agreements, and in the context of the modern world economic order it is the importing countries which hold the stronger hand. However the chances of achieving a new Inra have improved considerably since May.

In that time, a cocoa pact has been agreed where the experts had confidently predicted accord could not be reached. After the meaninglessness of the latest sugar agreement and the calamity in tin, the cocoa talks brought a fresh breath of air to commodity agreements.

More importantly, the conference chairman, Mr Manaspas Xuto, of Thailand, has engaged in a round of shuttle diplomacy which appears to have persuaded the producers to accept an unchanged reference price in the new Inra.

Mr Xuto is said to be confident that accord can be struck on this matter fairly early in the talks. However, the producers are still thought to be unhappy about *maintaining* the automatic mechanism which triggers changes in the reference price during the life of an agreement, arguing that it fails to take account of rising production costs.

The consuming countries, especially those for which commodity pacts are anathema, are strongly attached to the trigger adding, as it does, a degree of market sensitivity to the agreement.

When and if Mr Xuto can clinch harmony on the new price range and trigger mechanisms, the conference will move on to more detailed matters under the agreement.

These include marketing and transport as well as the question of pricing solely in Malaysian ringgits now that its value has strayed from that of the Singapore dollar.

One factor which may favour the chances of reaching an agreement is the buoyant state of the rubber market. After a traditionally slack summer prices have risen by about 10 per cent this month, and recently the five-day moving average of rates in the Far East, London and New York rose above 200 Malaysian cents for the first time since June, 1984.

London traders say that the market has been supported by a modest recovery in demand from importing countries, particularly Japan and the Soviet Union, along with poor weather in the Far East, especially in Malaysia, which is by far the biggest supplier.

Richard Lander

Big role for British experts at top energy conference

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

Britain's energy industries have an important role in next week's World Energy Conference, although the issue of safety at nuclear power stations will not be on the official agenda.

The conference meets every three years and is the leading forum for the exchange of technical information on all forms of energy. Its agenda was drawn before the Chernobyl disaster and in any case takes the view that the issue can be adequatly discussed by the various nuclear energy bodies such as the International Atomic Energy Agency.

The conference, which will be opened in Cannes on Sunday by President Mitterand, will have contributions from experts at British Gas, British Coal, the Central Electricity Generating Board and from several of the companies involved in the energy industries.

A report on the experiences of British Coal in planning and designing the new super-pit at Selby will be presented by British Coal, while meeting the technolgical challenge of changes in the market will be discussed by British Gas and British Coal.

The lessons learned in the North Sea where Britain has won a lead in world offshore technology will be presented by representatives from Brown and Root (UK) and the RTZ Technical Service will deliver a paper on how computers can be used to evaluate the potential of of open cast coal mines. The advances which have been made in combustion technology will be presented by Northern Engineering Industries.

Other papers include one on the potential for energy conservation by the Institute of Energy while others about the influence of energy on social and economic change and on the effects of electrotechnology on the world energy balance will be offered by the Electricity Council's experts.

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Results for the year ended 30th April 1986

	1986 £'000	1985 £'000
Gross rents receivable	6,346	5,695
Net property income	4,683	4,020
Surplus available for distribution	2,352	2,052
Earnings per share	12.31	10.74

Extracts from the statement by the Chairman, Mr. L. C. T. Cottrell

The completion and letting of developments during the year, taken together with increases in existing rentals has resulted in an increase in net income of some 10% to give a total net rental income of £5,205,000.

Construction and letting of the Company's developments continued apace including the business park at Crawley where three of the four units of the second phase are already let, at the retail developments in Mitcham and the Camberwell Shopping Centre where trading has commenced, while a number of other developments have been completed or are in hand. The Company continues to seek attractive development opportunities while, in parallel, a policy of selective disposals is being pursued.

In April 1986 the Company issued £11,500,000 10% first mortgage debenture stock 2011, the proceeds being used to finance the acquisition of superior leasehold interests of existing investments.

During the year under review a privately owned property company was acquired having assets consisting of a small portfolio of properties in London together with cash and marketable securities, the purchase consideration being principally satisfied by the issue of 997,500 ordinary shares.

On 30th April 1986 the overall portfolio was valued at £76,036,000 giving a net asset value of 197.9p per share compared with last year's figure of 191.7p.

Copies of the complete report and accounts may be obtained from the Secretaries, W.H Stentiford & Co 1 Love Lane, London EC2V 7JJ

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	10.00%
Adam & Company	10.00%
BCCI	10.00%
Citibank Savings†	10.75%
Consolidated Grds	10.00%
Co-operative Bank	10.00%
C. Hoare & Co	10.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	10.00%
Lloyds Bank	10.00%
Nat Westminster	10.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	10.00%
TSB	10.00%
Citibank NA	10.00%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

DRAWING OF BONDS
Japanese Government 6 per cent Sterling Loan 1983/88

The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., the Paying Agents in London for the Bonds of the above issue give notice in accordance with the instructions of the Japanese Government that the Bonds enumerated hereunder were drawn for the Sinking Fund on the 16th September, 1986 for redemption on the 31st December, 1988.

The Drawing was made at the Office of The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., 20/24 Moorgate, London, EC2R 6DH, in the presence of Hiroshi Nakajima, representative of The Bank of Japan as agent of the Japanese Government and John Derek Gilbert Saul, Notary Public of this city, of the firm Cheeswright, Murfy & Co. The Bonds then drawn will be redeemed on the 31st December, 1986, at The Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., 20/24 Moorgate, London, EC2R 6DH.

Bonds of £1,000

14085	14138	14154	14220	14265	14349	14378	14535	14539
14568	14575	14580	14675	14726	14740	14900	14998	15021
15043	15062	15086	15078	15173	15220	15261	15262	15281
15294	15351	15361	15399	15455	15466	15606	15620	15720
15752	15769	15857	15859	15872	15942	16068	16098	16104
16119	16141	16142	16201	16221	16277	16307	16520	16523
16608	16625	16674	16737	16742	16746	16808	16896	16967
17098	17136	17169						

Bonds of £500

12914	12995	13001	13050	13110	13126	13137	13189	13191
13267	13288	13348	13412	13413	13444	13447	13474	13494
13509	13598	13617	13640	13675	13715	13720	13735	13857
13944	14002	14009	14033	14036				

Bonds of £100

00026	00027	00037	00165	00245	00259	00269	00274	00284
00307	00335	00343	00352	00360	00361	00365	00552	00578
00593	00603	00611	00794	00812	00828	00831	00833	00834
00890	00918	00930	00934	00944	01071	01084	01117	01149
01176	01195	01223	01248	01286	01354	01393	01394	01410
01582	01593	01659	01705	01729	01733	01749	01755	01877
01898	01911	02048	02069	02163	02209	02298	02297	02323
02440	02451	02476	02525	02530	02531	02535	02622	02771
02830	02877	02879	02916	03061	03147	03148	03161	03166
03289	03308	03309	03317	03390	03416	03423	03478	03509
03510	03524	03543	03545	03559	03575	03638	03685	03766
03821	03822	03825	03826	03865	03906	03934	03935	03937
03971	04132	04157	04162	04169	04216	04332	04364	04407
04408	04409	04543	04584	04616	04674	04748	04947	04974
05095	05144	05262	05274	05278	05300	05304	05305	05314
05331	05337	05348	05364	05383	05384	05470	05536	05601
05941	06028	06050	06174	06216	06319	06348	06375	06389
06407	06414	06456	06460	06707	06714	06715	06744	06758
06890	06934	06972	06988	07040	07094	07109	07125	07184
07214	07235	07242	07256	07302	07367	07388	07416	07480
07526	07548	07549	07556	07574	07575	07609	07611	07622
07623	07637	07666	07669	07740	07744	07746	07817	07847
07949	08075	08144	08212	08226	08259	08388	08515	08560
08613	08636	08650	08661	08785	08786	08797	08810	08819
08845	08850	08857	08876	08880	08882	08883	08895	08913
08935	08981	09010	09020	09022	09023	09074	09161	09276
09379	09388	09401	09454	09466	09633	09707	09735	09760
09762	09792	09803	09906	09909	09976	09985	09990	10004
10020	10039	10043	10110	10117	10122	10124	10126	10145
10146	10163	10190	10194	10230	10241	10309	10318	10370
10376	10461	10515	10536	10651	10654	10665	10672	10676
10819	10820	11057	11127	11128	11139	11235	11329	11333
11425	11444	11445	11504	11723	11726	11730	11731	11736
11762	11805	11825	11831	11833	11854	11872	11918	11926
11968	11970	11996	12003	12018	12125	12157	12226	12246
12261	12287	12331	12348	12367	12380	12387	12407	12435
12452	12453	12505	12609	12617	12849	12850	12854	12725
12729	12736	12748	12765	12809	12840	12845	12869	

Bonds presented for Redemption must be left for examination five clear days before payment.

Drawn Bonds will cease to bear interest from the date of redemption.

Drawn Bonds will be payable in Sterling at par. The Drawn Bonds must be presented with all the unmatured coupons attached, namely Coupon Nos. 47 to 50 bearing due dates between 30th June, 1987 and 31st December, 1988 both dates inclusive. The sterling face amount of any such coupons which may be missing from the Drawn Bonds will be deducted from the amount of the principal payable to the holder.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Blue chips hit as City fears base rates may rise to 12%

By Michael Clark and Carol Leonard

Fears of a possible two-point increase in bank base rates to 12 per cent set the alarm bells ringing in the City yesterday.

The rate for three-month money in the money market soared by almost half of a percentage point to 11.25 per cent, taking it a full 1.25 percentage points above the present 10 per cent base rate.

In the gilt-edged market, the prospect of gloomy official reserve figures on Thursday, coupled with the expectation of bad money supply and inflation figures during the ensuing couple of weeks, tipped prices steadily lower.

Both long and short-dated stocks lost up to £1⅜ as gilts dealers complained: "There isn't a single bit of good news on the horizon."

Early attempts at a rally were killed off mid-morning when the Bank of England indicated that it was not planning to raise its intervention rate in the money markets.

Mr Mark Cliffe, the chief economist at Capel-Cure Myers, the broker, said: "People are waiting with baited breath for a base-rate rise. It's only a matter of time."

Rival economist, Mr Stephen Lewis at Phillips & Drew, the broker, believes interest rates will rise by two percentage points later this week.

● Memcom, the USM-quoted electronic systems manufacturer, could be worth watching. In the past week its shares have climbed by 50 per cent to 18p. The reason is the launch of *a revolutionary camera and a* $4 million (£2.8 million) contract from the Pentagon for a document-retrieval system.

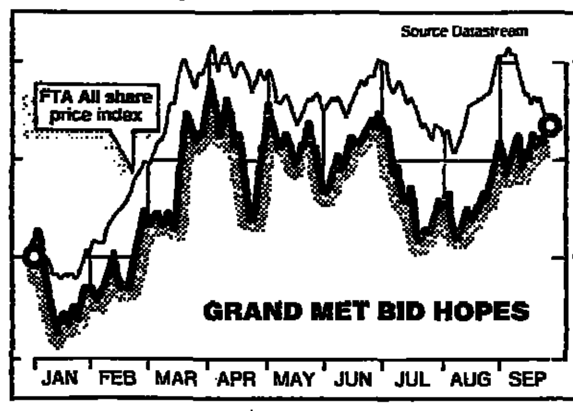
Sterling had another bad day on the foreign exchange markets, falling to a fresh low against the weighted basket of European currencies at 68.2. It lost about 3 pfennigs against the mark, closing at 2.9050 and almost a quarter of a cent against the dollar, which itself was weak, taking it down to $1.4340.

The FT 30 Share index closed lower once more, down by 25.8 points to 1,212.6, in exceptionally thin trading. The broader-based FT-SE 100 index also closed at its lowest level of the day, down by 29.4 at 1,539.2.

Blue chips were worst hit. **Hawker Siddeley** tumbled 24p to 423p, **ICI** 22p to 1,060p, **Glaxo** 20p off at 915p. **Allied Lyons** was another 7p down at 296p and **British Telecom** 6p worse at 180p.

Banks were equally depressed with **National Westminster** losing 20p to 512p, **Lloyds** dropping the same amount to 409p, **Midland** 17p lower at 537p and **Barclays** 13p down at 464p.

In the "grey" market, Cleveland Securities, the licensed dealer, was quoting the 50p partly-paid **TSB** shares at a middle price of 90p — a couple of pence up on Friday's close. "But we're not doing much trade," said a dealer.



Composite insurers also lost ground. **Royal Insurance** was 30p lower at 762p, **Guardian Royal** 10p down at 762p and **Sun Alliance** 20p worse at 642p.

Grand Metropolitan, the hotel, brewing and leisure group, was the only member of the FT 30 Share index to end the day on a positive note, closing with a rise of 4p at 415p. This followed Friday's sharp turn-round in the market, amid reports that a big buyer was bidding for stock outside the market.

Dealers had claimed that it could have been Mr Alan Bond, the head of Castlemaine Tooheys, the Australian brewery. But the buyer emerged as Mr Charles Knapp, the financier. He has since confirmed that his privately-owned investment company, Trafalgar Holdings, has built up a near-5 per cent stake in the shares. But market men have dismissed Mr Knapp as a potential threat to Grand Met's independence. He has built up a number of stakes in companies over the years and is regarded more as trader than a predator.

But this will be little consolation to Sir Stanley Grinstead, the chairman of Grand Met and his board. The group looks vulnerable to a bid and is regarded by market men as the ideal break-up situation. Some brokers have already calculated that the group's assets could be worth at least 560p a share and that figure could prove irresistible in some quarters.

Meanwhile, talks are continuing to sell Liggett Myers, the group's US generic cigarette subsidiary. A management buyout, or a consortium of investors, are thought to be the most likely bet. The asking price is reckoned to be just above £100 million.

Blue Circle Industries suffered a setback after recent speculative support as the big buyer who has haunted the shares for the past few days suddenly took fright at the shakeout in the rest of the market. T C Coombes, the broker, has done most of the buying and has acted in the past for Mr Robert Holmes à Court, the Australian businessman and Mr Terry Ramsden, the international financier. Last week, there were stories in the market that Mr Holmes à Court was trying to build up a near-5 per cent stake in Blue Circle. The shares finished 5p lower at 558p.

● The absence of a bid has taken its toll of MEPC. After hitting a high of 380p, the shares lost another 6p to 310p yesterday. The group has now invested more than £500 million in new developments *which may be discussed* at today's seminar in the City, arranged by Rowe & Pitman. The shares are looking cheap.

Extel, the news agency and financial services group, slipped 3p to 348p, amid reports that the group is about to emerge as the white knight for McCorquodale, the specialist printer, which is fighting off a higher offer from rival Norton Opax following clearance from the Monopolies Commission.

Last week, Extel's printing subsidiary, Burrups, celebrated the news that it had been awarded the contract to print the prospectus for British Gas.

Molins, the tobacco and corrugated board machinery manufacturer, slipped 2p to 171p, despite the news it had entered into a licensing agreement with General Motors to cover the use of its flexible manufacturing systems. In July, this column highlighted that Molins was pressing General Motors for royalty payments which could have totalled $400 million (£279 million). However, Molins was not saying how much the licensing deal was worth yesterday.

Combined English Stores finished 10p lower at 213p after going ex-dividend.

Last night, Hoare Govett, the broker, arranged for the company to meet a number of leading fund managers. High on the list of topics discussed were current prospects.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES	
Anglia Secs (115p)	173 +9
BBB Design (67p)	69
Beaverco (145p)	150
Broad St (43p)	50 +1
Chelsea Man (125p)	129 -1
Creighton Labs (130p)	180
Euro Home (160p)	126 -7
Eve Construction (105p)	105 -1
Fletcher Dennys (70p)	68
Guthrie Corp (150p)	161
Harrison (150p)	158
Hille Ergonom (92p)	88
Hughes Food (20p)	23½
Local Lon Gp	152 -1
M6 Cash & C (100p)	93 +1
Marina Dev (110p)	88
Newage Trans (75p)	75
Sandell Perkins (135p)	158
Scot Mtge 100% =25	£17¼ -1¼
Stanley Leisure (110p)	135
Thames TV (190p)	250 +3
Treas sH%/l 2016 =97	£93¼ -1⅛
Unilock (63p)	68
Yelverton (38p)	35
Yorkshire TV (125p)	137 -1

RIGHTS ISSUES	
Berkeley Tech F/P	
Boots N/P	213 -3
Brown & Tawse F/P	146
Bunzl N/P	4 -2
Cambium Venture N/P	½
Christy Hunt N/P	5 -3
New Ct Nat Res N/P	3 -½
Sedgwick F/P	326 -9
Tiphook N/P	49

(Issue price in brackets).

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Dec 86	88.80	88.80	88.46	88.556	6605
Mar 87	88.95	89.00	88.85	88.96	634
Jun 87	89.15	89.40	89.10	89.38	126
Sep 87	N/T			89.13	0
Dec 87	N/T			89.00	0
Mar 88	N/T			88.79	0
Previous day's total open interest 13935					
Three Month Eurodollar	Previous day's total open interest 23303				
Dec 86	93.90	93.95	93.84	93.91	5149
Mar 87	93.75	93.82	93.74	93.80	748
Jun 87	93.50	93.59	93.50	93.57	148
Sep 87	93.18	93.24	93.18	93.23	11
US Treasury Bond	Previous day's total open interest 6116				
Dec 86	94-11	94-24	93-21	94-14	8474
Mar 87	93-08	93-08	93-08	93-17	1
Jun 87	N/T				0
Short Gilt	Previous day's total open interest 1182				
Dec 86	95-16	95-16	95-01	95-03	140
Mar 87	N/T			94-62	0
Jun 87	N/T				0
Long Gilt	Previous day's total open interest 14001				
Dec 86	110-00	110-10	108-10	108-19	12236
Mar 87	109-15	109-15	108-26	108-17	220
Jun 87	N/T			108-17	0
Sep 87	N/T				0
FT-SE 100	Previous day's total open interest 2681				
Sep 86	156.00	156.20	154.00	154.00	430
Dec 86	158.75	158.75	156.00	156.00	655

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range September 29	Market rates close September 29	1 month	3 months
N York	1.4315-1.4440	1.4335-1.4345	0.56-0.53prem	1.70-1.65prem
Montreal	1.9890-1.9918	1.9870-2.0010	0.44-0.34prem	1.17-1.01prem
Ams'dam	3.2759-3.3121	3.2813-3.2857	1½-1⅜prem	4⅜-4¼prem
Brussels	60.15-60.74	60.18-60.29	21-15prem	54-45prem
C'phgen	10.9600-11.0225	10.9627-10.9775	1⅛-⅝prem	5-3⅝prem
Dublin	1.0598-1.0722	1.0604-1.0614	3prem-3dis	8-23dis
Frankfurt	2.8995-2.9315	2.9028-2.9070	1½-1⅜prem	4⅝-4⅜prem
Lisbon	210.90-213.75	210.94-212.52	60-125dis	205-360dis
Madrid	191.30-194.55	191.37-191.65	21-62dis	47-108dis
Milan	2004.10-2026.60	2005.82-2011.53	par-5dis	par-7dis
Oslo	10.5550-10.6400	10.5613-10.5759	3¼-4⅛dis	8⅝-9⅝dis
Paris	9.4908-9.5975	9.5055-9.5222	2½-1⅞prem	7⅛-6¼prem
St'khlm	9.9000-9.9625	9.9069-9.9210	1¾-1⅜prem	4½-3⅞prem
Tokyo	219.94-222.21	220.26-220.63	1¼-1prem	3⅝-3⅜prem
Vienna	20.40-20.55	20.42-20.45	9¾-8⅝prem	25¾-24⅛prem
Zurich	2.3519-2.3763	2.3552-2.3590	1⅝-1¼prem	4-3⅞prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down at 68.2 (day's range 68.2-68.8).

OTHER STERLING RATES		DOLLAR SPOT RATES	
Argentina austral*	1.5200-1.5256	Ireland	1.3510-1.3540
Australia dollar	2.2800-2.2900	Singapore	2.1705-2.1715
Bahrain dinar	0.5420-0.5460	Malaysia	2.6200-2.6220
Brazil cruzado*	19.76-19.89	Australia	0.6273-0.6280
Cyprus pound	0.7300-0.7400	Canada	1.3870-1.3875
Finland marka	7.0475-7.0875	Sweden	6.9125-6.9175
Greece drachma	193.60-195.60	Norway	7.3600-7.3650
Hong Kong dollar	11.1900-11.1999	Denmark	7.6450-7.6500
India rupee	18.20-18.40	West Germany	2.0265-2.0275
Iraq dinar	n/a	Switzerland	1.6445-1.6455
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4205-0.4245	Netherlands	2.2900-2.2910
Malaysia dollar	3.7500-3.7700	France	6.6380-6.6410
Mexico peso	1046.00-1061.00	Japan	153.70-153.60
New Zealand dollar	2.9000-2.9300	Italy	1401.0-1402.0
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.3910-5.4310	Belgium(Comm)	41.97-42.02
Singapore dollar	3.1100-3.1200	Hong Kong	7.8007-7.8012
South Africa rand	3.1600-3.1900	Portugal	146.90-147.40
U A E dirham	5.2800-5.3200	Spain	133.55-133.65
*Lloyds Bank		Austria	14.27-14.30

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

…rst Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
…ep 22	Oct 3	Dec 18	Jan 5
…ct 6	Oct 17	Jan 8	Jan 19
…ct 20	Oct 31	Jan 22	Feb 2

…all options were taken out on: 29/9/86 Amstrad, Blue Circle, North Kalgurli Mines, …acal, London & Northern Group, Bolton Textile, JE England, Davidson Pearce, …sureTime, Prestwich, IFICO, Ecobric, Lamont Holdings, Sears, Samson, Energy …apital.
…t: Glaxo
…t & Call: Welcome, Abaco Investments.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
…ied Lyons (…98)	300	11	20	30	14	18	25
	330	4	10	17	40	45	48
	360	1½	4	8	65	70	73
… (…55)	600	61	85	110	3	10	20
	650	25	55	75	18	28	40
	700	8	30	48	50	58	70
…ns Gold (…72)	500	80	95	110	3	17	25
	550	38	62	50	14	32	45
	600	16	38	50	50	62	72
…urtaulds (…81)	260	24	35	48	2	6	10
	280	12	24	34	9	15	19
	300	4½	17	26	25	29	32
	330	1	9	—	52	52	—
…m Union (…65)	280	7	19	27	19	22	25
	300	3	11	19	37	38	39
	330	1	6	13	67	67	65
…ble & Wire (…77)	275	18	—	—	8	—	—
	280	—	28	38	—	20	25
	300	5	18	30	28	33	40
	325	2	7	20	50	52	60
…llers (…5)	600	100	—	—	1½	—	—
	650	50	—	—	11	—	—
	700	10	—	—	25	—	—
… (…0)	160	11	17	24	8	11	14
	180	3	9	16	24	24	27
	200	1½	3½	7	42	43	45
…nd Met (…5)	360	—	72	78	—	3	7
	382	38	—	—	3	—	—
	390	—	47	55	—	13	18
	420	13	33	42	18	25	30
… (…60)	950	120	157	170	3	13	17
	1000	77	115	125	8	23	32
	1050	42	80	87	20	37	50
	1100	15	50	67	52	64	74
…d Sec (…)	300	12	21	30	8	11	13
	330	3	10	17	28	29	30
	360	1	5	9	57	57	57
…s & Spen (…)	180	11	20	28	3	6	9
	200	4	12	19	16	19	20
	220	1	5	10	36	38	39
…l Trans (…)	800	102	133	150	2	12	18
	850	62	97	115	12	25	33
	900	28	65	87	27	40	53
…lgar House (…)	260	13	22	30	6	13	19
	280	6	13	22	19	25	30
	300	3	7	15	38	40	44

	Series	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Dec	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
…ham (…)	360	32	53	—	10	14	—
	390	20	37	48	28	32	37
	420	11	22	33	52	55	58
	460	8	13	—	83	88	—
…s (…)	200	20	29	39	5	7	10
	220	10	21	28	17	18	22
	240	5	12	18	31	31	35
… (…)	280	20	30	38	18	23	27
	300	—	20	28	—	35	38
	333	4	—	—	60	—	—
…	700	35	45	57	30	35	40
	750	15	25	35	68	70	80
	800	8	17	—	113	113	—
…Circle	550	35	53	62	23	28	33
	600	17	28	35	48	50	53
	650	6	15	—	97	97	—
…eers	650	110	135	—	12	23	—
	700	80	105	—	30	45	—
	750	50	80	95	55	75	90
	800	30	50	70	95	105	120
…s	300	36	50	—	4	6	—
	330	18	28	40	17	20	24
	360	9	16	28	40	42	44
…	240	16	27	39	13	18	20
	260	9	18	27	27	31	35
	280	4	13	20	44	44	44
	300	1½	7	—	64	64	—
…	900	75	113	145	45	65	75
	950	50	900	120	75	90	100
	1000	35	70	95	105	125	125
	1050	20	50	—	145	155	—
…	135	—	—	—	—	—	—
	150	—	—	—	—	—	—
	160	28	32	—	3	6	—
	180	13	19	24	10	14	18
	200	6	10½	16	22	24	28

	Series	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Dec	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Jaguar (*498)	500	33	47	62	33	35	40
	550	15	30	42	60	62	67
	600	9	15	—	105	105	—
Thorn EMI (*451)	420	45	57	—	6	13	—
	460	22	37	47	30	35	37
	500	11	24	35	57	58	65
	550	5	10	—	105	107	—
Tesco (*385)	330	65	—	—	1	—	—
	360	42	55	—	10	12	—
	390	26	37	47	20	25	33
	420	13	22	32	38	42	50

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
Brit Aero (*431)	420	28	43	57	18	22	27
	460	10	27	40	40	45	50
	500	3	11	27	75	75	80
BAT Inds (*443)	360	92	105	—	½	2	—
	390	62	77	83	3	5	8
	420	37	53	60	7	15	20
	460	17	27	35	30	33	38
Barclays (*464)	460	27	42	52	13	20	25
	500	12	25	34	40	45	50
	550	3	11	18	90	90	92
Brit Telecom (*182)	180	10	17	24	7	13	16
	200	3½	8	15	22	27	27
	220	1½	3½	12	40	41	44
Cadbury Schwpps (*172)	160	16	24	31	3	8	10
	180	6	13	15	14	16	17
	200	2½	7	—	29	31	—
Guinness (*310)	300	22	32	42	8	17	20
	330	8	17	20	27	32	35
	360	4	7	10	55	55	55
Imperial Gr (*368)	300	70	—	—	1½	—	—
	330	42	—	—	1½	—	—
	360	22	—	—	13	—	—
Ladbroke (*348)	330	27	40	48	3	8	10
	360	10	20	28	18	23	27
	390	3	7	15	45	45	48
LASMO (*108)	110	9	17	23	9	14	16
	120	5	13	17	15	22	23
	130	3	9	13	25	30	33
Midland Bank (*537)	500	57	72	87	8	12	17
	550	25	40	57	25	30	37
	600	10	18	27	62	62	65
P & O (*505)	460	53	68	—	3	6	—
	500	17	38	50	15	23	27
	550	4	15	27	48	53	58
	600	1½	—	—	98	—	—
Racal (*156)	160	10	17	24	9	12	15
	180	3½	91	15	26	26	28
	200	2	4	8	46	46	46
RTZ (*632)	550	87	97	—	5	15	—
	600	44	62	82	12	28	40
	650	20	38	55	37	50	65
	700	7	20	—	75	82	—
Vaal Reefs (*81)	70	15½	19½	22½	3	5½	7½
	80	7½	13½	17	7	10	11½
	90	3¾	9	11	12	15½	17

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Nov	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Lonrho (*211)	200	19	26	30	5	12	15
	218	6	—	—	13	—	—
	236	3½	—	—	28	—	—
	240	—	10½	14	—	38	41
	255	2	—	—	46	—	—

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
Tr 11¾% 1991 (*£101)	106	11/16	¾	13/16	5⅛	9 1/16	6
	108	⅜	⅝	5/16	7¼	7 7/16	7¾
	110	⅛	5/16	⅜	9¼	9⅜	9⅝
Tr 11¾% 03/07 (*£107)	114	11/16	1¾	2 1/16	7¾	8⅝	8⅝
	116	9/16	1 5/16	1 9/16	9⅛	9⅞	9⅝
	118	7/16	15/16	1½	11	11½	11¼
	120	¼	11/16	1¼	12⅞	13¼	12¾
	122	3/16	½	—	14⅞	15⅜	—
	124	3/32	—	—	16⅛	—	—

	Series	Calls Sept	Calls Oct	Calls Nov	Calls Dec	Puts Sept	Puts Oct	Puts Nov	Puts Dec
FT-SE Index (*1543)	1525	20	38	50	—	2	20	25	—
	1550	3	25	38	50	12	33	38	45
	1575	1	16	28	40	35	48	52	62
	1600	1	10	22	32	63	65	70	77
	1625	1	7	15	27	88	87	90	95
	1650	1	5	10	22	113	113	115	120
	1675	1	3	6	15	138	138	140	145
	1700	½	2	3	6	163	613	165	170

…mber 29 1986. Total contracts 20227. Calls 11557. Puts 8650. *Underlying security price.

MONEY MARKET AND GOLD

Interbank saw considerable activity in the short dates, but not much volume in the general range of periods as convictions deepened that a rise in base rates was imminent. Maturities from one to 12 months rose sharply. Day-to-day money was cheaply available once again as the authorities removed the shortage early to leave comfortable conditions for the rest of the day.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10
Finance House 10

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 7½ Low 5
Week fixed: 9-8½

Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mnth 10⅝; 3 mnth 10⅝
Selling: 2 mnth 10⅝; 3 mnth 10⅝

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10⅞-10¾ 2 mnth 11-10⅞
3 mnth 11⅛-10⅞ 6 mnth 10⅞-10¾

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 11½ 2 mnth 11⅜
3 mnth 11⅜ 6 mnth 11½

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 8¾ close 2
1 week 9¾-9½ 6 mnth 11 7/16-11 5/16
1 mnth 10⅞-10¾ 9 mnth 11½-11⅜
3 mnth 11⅜-11¼ 12 mnth 11½-11⅜

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 9¾ 7 days 9¾
1 mnth 10⅝ 3 mnth 10⅞
6 mnth 11 12 mth 11

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 10¾-10 2 mnth 10⅞-10¾
3 mnth 10⅞-10¾ 6 mnth 10⅞-10¾
9 mnth 10½-10⅛ 12 mth 10⅝-10¾

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 10⅞-10¾ 3 mnth 11-10⅞
6 mnth 11¼-10⅞ 12 mth 11⅛-11

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 6.05-6.00 3 mnth 6.00-5.95
6 mnth 6.00-5.95 12 mth 6.20-6.15

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar
call 6¼-5¼
7 days 6 5/16-6 1/16 1 mnth 6⅛-6
3 mnth 6⅛-6 6 mnth 6⅛-6
Deutschmark
call 5-4
7 days 4 11/16-4 9/16 1 mnth 4⅝-4½
3 mnth 4⅝-4½ 6 mnth 4⅝-4½
French Franc
call 8-7
7 days 8½-8¼ 1 mnth 9¼-9
3 mnth 8⅛-7⅞ 6 mnth 7⅞-7⅝
Swiss Franc
call 1⅛-⅞
7 days 2-1⅞ 1 mnth 4 1/16-3 15/16
3 mnth 4¼-4⅛ 6 mnth 4 5/16-4 3/16
Yen
call 5⅛-4⅞
7 days 5⅛-5 1 mnth 4 1/16-3 15/16
3 mnth 5-4⅞ 6 mnth 5-4⅞

GOLD

Gold:$428.00-429.00
Krugerrand* (per coin):
$ 428.00-429.00 (£297.25-299.25)
Sovereigns* (new):
$ 101.50-102.50 (£70.75-71.50)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period August 9, 1986 to September 2, 1986 inclusive: 9.890 per cent.

COMMENT Kenneth Fleet

Chancellor treads a political tightrope

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the party. The Conservative Party that is, whose annual conference, beginning on October 7, may conceivably be infected by the chill wind of financial troubles. In the foreign exchange market, where sentiment counts for nothing, the pound is under pressure — the kind of pressure that can turn a slide in sterling into an avalanche. The gilt-edged market is falling, a prey to anxieties which the money men argue will be relieved only by a rise in bank base rates.

Already this week two good men have come forward. On Sunday the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Nigel Lawson, in the wake of the failure of the five principal financial powers to reach agreement on a co-ordinated approach either to exchange or interest rates, spoke of "an almost unhealthy pre-occupation, in the markets and in the press, with very short-term consequences."

In the circumstances he could hardly have said anything different. The prop the markets had been expecting in the shape of a Group of Five agreement had not materialized: it did not require a former City editor of Mr Lawson's intelligence and perception to foresee how both press and markets would react yesterday.

While the Chancellor kept out of the limelight yesterday, the Governor of the Bank of England, Robin Leigh-Pemberton, put his distinguished head on the block. He ruled out any rise in interest rates, but apparently for one day only. This was a silly thing to have said and it detracted from his more cautious, and more diplomatically worded, later statements. Unfortunately the Governor's words, while no doubt meant to reassure, sounded like the denials that used to precede by days or at most weeks the devaluations of sterling the financial markets had convinced themselves were inevitable.

The same markets are convinced of the inevitability of higher interest rates. They may be wrong, as they were in January when the Treasury and Bank of England succeeded in *holding the line for a week until the* pressure for a one- point rise in base rates, then 12.5 per cent, abated.

The markets' feelings are best gauged by the difference between bank base rates and three-month sterling interbank rates. In January interbank rates were ¾ per cent above base rates. Yesterday the margin above base rates, now 10 per cent, was 11 3/16 per cent. This is too much for the gilt-edged market, which is equally convinced that interest rates have to rise in order to shelter the pound.

The weakness of sterling is the key factor. The effective rate slumped to a low yesterday despite the Bank of England's moves to shore it up. The market view is that base rates need to be increased by two points, to 12 per cent, to relieve the pressure across the foreign exchanges and persuade the gilt-edged market that the Government's resolve is not slipping.

Obviously the last thing the Prime Minister, her Chancellor and her Cabinet want is to face the party conference, and the country, having put up the cost of borrowing in dramatic fashion. Increases in base rates of more than a point are associated in the public mind with crisis.

Crisis is too strong a word for the current situation, however dire the behaviour of markets may seem. But 12 per cent base rates would be critical for a Government, already concerned about its electoral prospects. Apart from the golden opportunities it would present to Mrs Thatcher's political opponents and the dismay they would cause among her supporters, higher interest rates would have two disturbing consequences.

In the first place they would make the British Gas issue more difficult, though not of course impossible; and even more serious, they would be certain to bring in their train higher mortgage rates.

More expensive home loans might *not, in themselves, be a bad thing in a* roaring property market but they would register in the retail price index. Already the Government accepts that the last RPI figure, which showed inflation down to 2.4 per cent, is the best likely to be seen this year. Dearer mortgages would give a push to inflation at a very inconvenient time. Inconvenient in the sense that low inflation is one of the Government's prime achievements and the beady eyes of the world's money and exchange markets are focused on it.

Royal Bank changes

Royal Bank of Scotland yesterday announced a reorganisation at group level brought about by development into a broadly based financial services company.

From October 1, Charles Winter *will be confirmed as group chief* executive. Rob Farley will become group deputy chief executive and will be succeeded in his job as head of the clearing bank by Bob Maiden, who moves from being general manager of the UK banking side. The changes are designed to convert the group holding company into an active body controlling the whole group's affairs.

Mr Farley, who was head of Williams & Glyn's domestic banking operation, took over as head of the RBS clearing bank when the two banks merged last year. Both Mr Winter and Mr Maiden have had long careers within RBS itself.

TSB Share Offer.

Nearly five million people have applied for TSB shares.
That's more than twice as many as in any other share offer.

We're delighted with the success of the offer but so many people have applied we are unable to allocate shares to everyone.
Nevertheless, over three million people will be receiving TSB shares.

All customers who submitted a valid priority application will receive an allocation of shares.

A ballot has been held on public applications with half receiving an allocation.

The table below details the allocations.

Shares applied for	Number of shares allocated: Customer priority applications (Pink forms)	Number of shares allocated: Public applications successful in the ballot (White forms)	Shares applied for	Number of shares allocated: Customer priority applications (Pink forms)	Number of shares allocated: Public applications successful in the ballot (White forms)
200	200	—	5,000	600	500
400	400	300	6,000	600	500
600	500	300	7,000	700	500
800	500	350	8,000	800	500
1,000	500	400	9,000	900	500
1,500	550	400	10,000	1,000	500
2,000	600	400			
2,500	600	500			
3,000	600	500			
3,500	600	500			
4,000	600	500			
4,500	600	500			

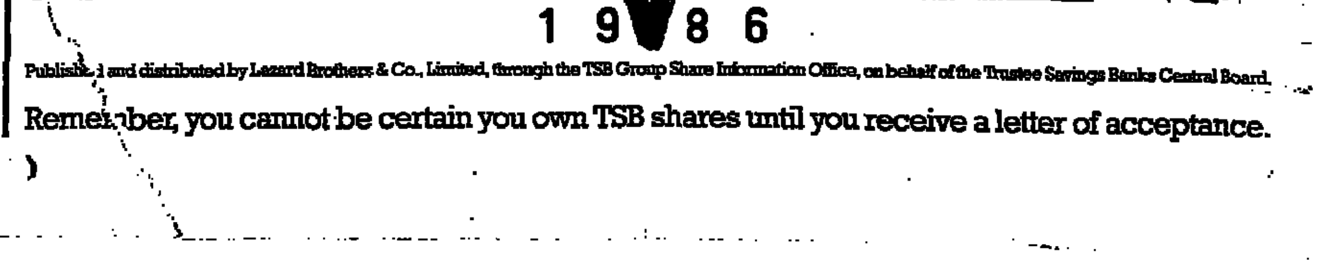
Successful public applications for 15,000 shares receive 600 shares; for 20,000-70,000 receive 700 shares; for 75,000-1 million receive 1% of their application; for 1 million-3 million receive 10,000 shares; above 3 million no allocation.

All staff and pensioners of the TSB Group who submitted a valid employee priority application will receive shares, although the larger applications have been scaled down.

In view of the huge response to the offer, letters to everyone who applied for shares will now be posted on Thursday 9 October. For successful applicants, these will state the number of shares allocated. When this is less than the number applied for, a refund will be enclosed. For unsuccessful applicants, cheques will be returned.

Dealings on The Stock Exchange will begin on Friday 10 October.

Thank you to everyone who said Yes.



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	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
80, Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL				
0345 717373 (Linkline)				
Gilt & Fixed	107.3	113.8●	-2.2	10.57
High Inc Equity	93.1	99.0c	-1.3	5.00
Worldwide Bond	200.6	214.5●	+1.5	4.52
American Growth	182.0	181.7	+0.4	1.89
Asian Pacific	51.9	55.5	+2.8	2.45
Assets & Earns	102.6	109.7	-2.4	2.22
Capital Reserve	64.8	69.0	-0.6	1.55
Comm & Energy	85.0	91.3●	+7.7	2.23
European Capital	98.0	105.3	+1.9	1.21
General	131.6	140.7	-3.3	3.02
Japan	81.4	86.6c	+2.8	..
UK Growth Inc	97.7	155.0c	-2.0	1.02
Do Accum	140.1	150.6c	-3.7	0.71
US Emerging Co's	52.8	56.4	+2.2	0.99
Equities Progress	191.8	204.2	-2.6	3.60
Masterfst.Acc	65.1	86.2	+1.2	2.67
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS				
Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL				
0793 610366 & 0793 28291				
First Trust	214.7	228.7●	-8.2	3.69
Growth & Income	129.0	137.4●	-5.4	3.30
Capital Trust	224.5	239.1c	-5.6	2.63
Balanced	345.6	368.0	-8.8	3.30
Accum Trust	535.9	570.7	-13.0	3.10
American Income	32.3	34.4	+0.9	4.27
High Income Tst	241.3	257.0●	-3.7	4.95
Equity Income	136.8	145.5	-1.7	5.08
High Yield	142.5	151.8	-1.7	5.40
Govt Secs Trust	28.2	29.4c	-0.6	9.80
International	88.1	93.8	+6.5	0.88
Japan Fund	123.7	131.7	+7.3	0.01
Pacific Trust	193.1	205.8	+10.4	0.87
Amer Spcl Sits	63.8	67.7●	+1.4	1.45
Secs Of Amer Tst	200.2	213.2	+4.1	0.98
Aid Asset Value	221.3	235.7	-5.2	3.30
Gilt Growth	35.8	37.3c	-0.6	3.03
Smaller Co's	117.7	125.4	-1.4	2.74
2nd Smaller Co's	151.9	161.8●	-1.9	2.48
Recovery Trust	79.3	84.5	-1.8	2.21
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES				
131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY				
01-638 0878 01-280 8540/1/2/3				
Capital Growth Inc	58.2	60.1	-1.8	1.78
Do Accum	62.8	67.1	-2.0	1.73
Eastern & Intl	142.6	152.5●	+5.8	0.75
Do 6% Withdrawl	74.3	79.4●	+3.0	0.78
Finance & Property	66.4	71.0●	-1.3	4.01
Gilt & Fixed Income	47.3	49.7	+0.2	8.37
Do Accum	80.2	84.4	+0.3	8.37
Equity Income	74.3	79.4	-0.4	4.80
Do Accum	176.1	188.3	-1.0	4.80
High Yield Income	74.1	79.2●	..	6.93
Do Accum	197.6	211.3●	-0.1	6.93
Intl Income	80.9	86.5	+1.0	2.10
Do Accum	83.1	88.8	+1.0	2.10
Do 5% Withdrwl	75.1	80.3	+1.0	2.10
Managed Fund	64.1	67.5	+0.1	..
Preference Income	29.4	31.4c	-0.1	9.89
Do Accum	95.0	101.6c	-0.2	9.89
Smaller Co's Accum	66.3	70.9s	-66.3	1.84
World Penny Share	9.4	10.0	+0.1	0.73
Portfolio Tst UK	74.2	78.8	-2.0	1.90
Portfolio Tst Japan	103.9	107.6	+3.9	0.00
Portfolio Tst US	70.6	73.1	+1.9	1.07
Portfolio Tst Europe	120.0	124.3	+1.1	0.00
Portfolio Tst HK	45.6	47.1	+2.7	0.10
BAILLIE GIFFORD				
3, Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY				
031-225 2581 (Dealers:031-226 6066)				
Intl Ex (22)	438.2	458.1	..	0.71
Japan Ex (43)	431.4	449.8	-13.9	0.20
UK Ex (21)	246.8	262.5	..	1.28
P'sal Pens Intl	501.8	528.3	..	..
P'sal Pens UK	217.2	228.8	..	..
BG America	163.3	173.8●	+7.1	0.00
BG Energy	148.7	158.2	+2.1	1.28
BG Income Grwth	191.7	204.0●	-2.6	5.32
BG Japan	198.6	211.5c	+15.0	0.00
BG Technology	139.1	148.0	+2.7	0.66
BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS				
25/26 Albemarle Street, London W1X 4AD				
01-491 0295				
American	44.3	47.4	+1.0	0.75
Australian	18.1	19.4●	+1.2	2.75
Japan & General	112.8	120.7	+5.4	0.10
High Income	42.8	45.8●	-1.0	6.22
International Trust	79.0	84.5	+0.9	1.61
Income Growth Tst	44.9	48.1	-1.0	3.92
Gilts & Fixed Int	20.2	21.5●	+0.1	9.07
Global Markets	33.1	35.4	+0.7	2.07
Special Situations	37.4	40.0c	-0.9	1.53
BARCLAYS UNICORN				
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7				
01-534 5544				
America	83.4	88.7	+2.9	1.45
Aust Accum	150.7	160.3	+14.1	1.18
Do Income	106.8	113.6	+9.9	1.16
Capital	66.2	70.4●	-1.5	3.19
Exempt Trust	412.9	438.2	-10.2	4.24
Extra Income	73.6	78.2c	-1.3	5.71
Financial	224.1	238.3	-2.7	3.15
500	258.5	275.0●	-5.5	3.26
General	132.6	141.0●	-2.9	3.37
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.5	53.1●	-1.1	10.32
Japan & Gen Inc	176.4	185.5	+9.0	0.03
Do Acc	177.3	188.9	+8.9	0.03
Growth Accum	174.7	185.8	-1.5	2.47
Income Trust	323.9	344.5	-7.4	3.94
Leisure Trust	77.5	82.4	-0.1	1.61
Special Situations	137.2	145.9●	-2.8	2.35
Recovery	185.5	197.3	-4.5	2.72
Trustee Fund	102.7	109.2	-3.1	3.08
Univ Tech Accum	51.4	54.6	+1.1	0.27
Do Income	50.9	54.1	+1.1	0.27
Worldwide Trust	149.0	158.5	+4.2	0.95
B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	313.1	333.0	-6.9	3.60
Do Inc	202.9	215.8	-5.8	3.60
BARING FUND MANAGERS				
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ				
01-658 9002				
Australia	70.6	75.5	+2.9	0.30
Eastern	63.9	68.3●	+3.6	0.30
Equity Income	58.8	61.0	-0.2	5.00
Europe	131.2	139.5	+1.9	0.90
Growth & Inc	60.5	65.0●	-0.7	2.30
Japan Special	111.5	119.2	+6.3	0.30
Japan Sunrise	92.3	98.7●	+5.0	0.30
First Europe	114.5	121.8	+1.1	0.60
First Japan	89.0	95.1●	+4.3	0.30
First N Amer	48.7	52.0	+3.0	1.80
First Smaller Co's	62.1	67.8	-1.2	2.70
BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT				
10, Fenchurch St, London EC3				
01-623 8000				
Planned Inv	129.8	138.1●	+1.6	4.06
European Inc	95.5	101.2	+1.2	1.51
Do Accum	118.9	124.5	+1.5	1.51
General Inc	152.7	162.6	-3.9	3.06
Do Accum	209.2	221.6	-5.4	3.06
Gilt Yield Inc	104.7	107.9●	-1.8	10.02
Do Accum	172.5	177.7●	-3.2	10.02
High Yield Inc	86.5	92.1●	-0.3	5.54
Do Accum	174.6	185.8●	-0.6	5.54
Japan Income	244.7	257.4	+6.7	0.20
Do Accum	248.4	259.2	+6.7	0.20
N American Inc	45.8	48.7	+2.0	0.60
Do Accum	54.3	57.7	+2.3	0.60
Pacific Income	136.0	142.9	+5.2	0.24
Do Accum	153.1	160.8	+5.8	0.24
Smlr Co's Inc	79.8	84.9	-0.8	1.71
Do Accum	94.5	100.6	-0.9	1.71
BROWN SHIPLEY				
9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath				
0444 458144				
Financial	124.3	132.9●	+0.7	2.85
Smaller Co's Acc	231.0	248.4c	-0.7	..
Do Income	148.6	159.7c	-0.5	0.96
High Income	64.5	69.4●	-0.1	5.80
Income	75.1	80.7c	-0.3	4.85
Man Portfolio Inc	58.0	62.0	-0.4	3.27
Do Acc	97.9	104.7	-0.6	..
North American	58.5	60.8	+1.5	1.41
Orient	84.4	90.8	+2.8	0.23
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT				
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT				
01-588 2868				

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Fellowship Inc	48.8	53.2●	-0.2	3.00
General Inc (4)	214.4	228.0	-0.6	3.10
Do Accum (4)	342.8	369.7	-0.9	3.10
Income Fund (3)	101.9	107.4	-0.4	4.64
Do Accum (3)	178.9	188.4	-0.7	4.64
Intl Inc (2)	125.5	131.6●	+4.2	0.96
Do Accum (2)	167.0	175.0	+4.2	0.96
Smaller Inc (5)	£11.61	12.34	-0.06	2.74
Do Accum (5)	£12.37	13.14	-0.09	2.74
CS FUND MANAGERS				
125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY				
01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	90.2	96.0	+4.3	0.22
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB				
01-902 8876				
Growth	276.4	292.1	+2.4	3.06
Income	320.6	341.1	+1.4	3.84
Far East	225.4	240.8	+12.4	0.28
North American	142.4	151.5	+8.6	0.80
Global	48.3	51.4●	+1.3	1.50
European	55.6	58.0●	+1.7	1.00
Japan	60.5	64.4●	+3.6	0.50
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT				
PO Box 551 6 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ				
01-621 0011				
Capital	362.2	387.4c	-5.1	1.84
Income	276.1	295.4c	-4.4	5.15
North American	273.9	283.0	+9.6	0.99
CATER ALLEN				
1, King William St. EC4N 7AU				
01-623 6314				
Gilt Trust	93.9	100.6	-0.7	11.66
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND				
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ				
01-588 1815				
Inv Fund	419.4	c	..	4.34
Fixed Int	145.4		..	9.63
Deposit	100.0		..	9.70
CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MANAGERS				
72/73 Basinghall Street, London EC2V 5DP				
01-606 6622				
S & C Special Sits	55.8	59.5	+4.3	0.65
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND				
2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ				
01-588 1815				
Income	393.87	●	..	4.79
Accum	£11.2926		..	..
Deposit	100.0		..	9.40
Clerical Medical Unit Trust Managers				
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH				
0800 373393				
Amer Growth	22.3	23.8	+0.7	1.90
Equity High Income	41.8	44.5●	-0.3	4.70
European Growth	29.1	31.0c	+0.7	2.00
General Equity	37.3	39.7	-0.9	2.70
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	27.5	29.0	-0.4	3.50
Gilt & Fixed Inc	22.8	24.0●	-1.2	9.50
Index Securities	24.6	25.9	-0.5	2.40
Japan Growth	35.5	37.8	+2.6	0.90
Pedigree Gth	23.2	24.7	..	2.50
COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD				
161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU				
01-726 1999				
Energy Trust	45.9	49.6●	+1.3	4.08
Extra Income	161.4	171.8c	-2.5	5.48
Financial	166.0	176.5	-2.0	2.26
Gilt Strategy	55.2	56.9	-0.5	2.15
Growth Investment	275.8	293.1	-2.2	2.36
Income & Growth	39.6	42.1●	-0.5	4.67
Japanese Growth	204.3	217.3●	+10.6	0.57
Nth Amer Growth	98.9	105.2	+3.5	1.59
Intl Recovery	115.8	123.1	+1.9	1.63
Smaller Co's	207.4	220.6●	-3.6	2.52
Global Inc Tst	60.0	63.8●	+0.8	5.44
Special Sits Acc	281.1	299.0	-2.1	1.41
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES				
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW				
04862 5033				
High Income Trust	239.7	256.4c	-0.3	5.16
Growth Trust	215.2	230.2	-2.4	3.13
American Trust	123.0	131.5	+4.9	0.76
CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL				
0737 42424				
UK Income	47.1	50.4	-1.2	4.47
UK Growth Accum	46.6	49.8	-2.0	2.43
Do Dist	46.6	49.8	-2.0	2.43
European Growth	56.2	59.8	+1.8	1.63
Pacific Growth	58.2	62.0	+3.5	..
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh				
031-226 3492				
American Fund	70.0	74.9	+1.0	2.27
Capital Fund	92.9	99.3	-2.2	1.71
Growth & Inc Fund	123.2	131.8	-3.2	4.55
High Dist Fund	106.3	113.7	-1.6	5.94
International Fund	196.7	210.4	+4.9	1.07
Resources Fund	23.7	25.3	+1.0	0.40
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	35.5	37.9	+1.1	..
Tokyo Fund	180.0	192.6●	+13.1	0.00
(Ex) Amer (2)	142.4	147.0c	+3.5	3.75
(Ex) Japan (3)	114.4	118.1	+6.2	0.17
(Ex) Pacific (4)	293.0	304.6●	+13.5	0.32
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	206.8	213.5	+2.9	0.10
Eurofund	28.2	30.1	+0.7	3.32
EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ				
0242 521311				
UK Balanced Inc	67.3	71.8	-1.7	2.96
Do Accum	68.3	72.9	-1.8	2.91
UK Growth Accum	63.3	68.9	-1.7	2.02
UK High Inc Inc	65.2	69.5	-0.8	5.15
N American Accum	64.8	69.1	+1.6	0.86
Far Eastern Accum	110.1	117.4	+7.0	0.00
European Accum	85.5	91.2●	+2.9	1.11
UK Gilt & FI Inc	51.2	54.6	-0.6	8.78
Do Accum	52.8	56.3	-0.6	8.51
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD				
Admin Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LB				
0708-66966				
Endurance	109.2	116.8●	+1.3	3.06
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION				
35, Fountain St, Manchester				
061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	72.3	77.0c	-1.5	3.29
High Income Trust	74.9	79.7	-1.3	5.10
Gilt & Fixed Int	49.1	52.3	-0.8	9.07
Tst Of Inv Trusts	61.8	65.8	+0.4	1.92
Special Sits Trust	70.0	74.5●	-2.2	2.85
Nth Amer Trust	55.7	59.3●	+1.6	1.80
Far Eastern Trust	87.4	93.0	+5.9	0.53
Intl Growth	51.7	55.0	+2.4	1.03
EQUITY & LAW				
St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1QD				
0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	147.1	156.4	-0.9	3.55
Do Income	127.7	135.8	-0.8	3.55
Higher Inc Accum	245.9	261.5	-0.7	4.87
Do Income	197.8	210.4	-0.6	4.87
Gilts/Fixed Accum	94.7	99.6●	-1.0	9.00
Do Income	78.3	82.4●	-0.8	9.00
Nth Amer Tst Accum	129.3	137.5	+6.2	0.39
Far East Tst Accum	167.8	178.5	+5.0	0.28
Euro Tst Accum	164.7	175.2●	+3.5	1.25
General Trust	236.0	251.0●	+0.4	3.57
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT				
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA				
01-623 4680				
US Smaller Co's	70.0	74.5c	+2.2	0.27
Capital Fund	106.4	113.8●	+1.7	0.36
Income Fund	76.0	81.3●	-1.8	4.86
Far Eastern Fund	77.4	82.8●	+3.1	0.30
Overseas Income	72.5	77.6	+2.5	3.53
Fixed Interest	66.6	69.6	-0.4	9.00
Natural Res Fund	46.0	49.2	+2.8	3.52

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European Income	82.7	88.5	+1.4	2.82
European Income	—	50.0	-	-
FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
190, West George St. Glasgow G2 2PA				
041-332 3132				
Balanced Gth Inc	45.0	47.9c	-0.8	1.80
Do Accum	45.8	48.7c	-0.2	..
Income Gth Inc	41.1	43.7	-0.6	5.00
Do Accum	43.1	45.8	-0.6	..
Service Co's Inc	50.0	53.2	-0.6	1.00
Do Accum	50.6	53.8	-0.6	..
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD				
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY				
0732 361144				
American	98.7	106.2	+3.4	0.98
Amer Equity Income	33.0	35.5	+1.2	4.87
Amer Special Sits	50.4	54.0	+2.3	1.45
Australia	27.9	29.7	..	0.80
European	43.2	46.0	+0.4	0.00
Far East Inc	36.3	38.7	+1.1	4.00
Gilt & Fixed Int	29.7	31.0c	-0.5	9.58
Growth & Income	94.8	101.1	-2.4	4.78
Japan Special Sits	43.3	45.4	+2.4	..
Japan	145.3	155.3	+7.4	..
Managed Int	140.6	151.6	+4.6	0.01
Max Income Equity	80.2	86.8●	-0.9	5.29
Professional Gth	32.4	34.9●	-0.6	2.45
South East Asia	35.3	37.8●	+1.5	0.36
Special Sits	160.9	173.1●	-2.2	0.84
FLEMING (ROBERT)				
8, Crosby Sq. London EC3A 6AN				
01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£241.1	248.5●	+9.45	1.89
Japan Exempt	£445.1	459.7	+4.03	0.80
Am Property Tst	$10000.0		..	5.60
Property Trust	£2023.0	c	..	5.60
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT				
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ				
01-628 5181				
Amer & Gen Inc	215.4	229.2●	+13.3	..
Do Accum	220.0	234.0●	+13.4	..
Amer Turnarnd Inc	206.4	219.4	+13.6	1.25
Do Accum	214.0	227.5	+14.1	1.25
Capital Tst Inc	201.0	213.8●	-3.1	2.01
Do Accum	244.8	260.4●	-3.9	2.01
Conv & Gilt Inc	85.6	91.0	-0.6	5.41
Do Accum	114.0	121.2	-1.0	5.41
Extra Inc Tst Inc	160.6	170.8	-1.8	4.78
Do Accum	174.2	185.2	-1.8	4.78
Income Trust	113.0	120.2	-1.4	4.36
Do Accum	118.8	126.2	-1.7	4.36
Int Growth Fd Inc	159.4	169.4	+8.4	..
Do Accum	178.8	189.0	+8.1	..
Japan & Gen Inc	92.0	97.8	+5.6	0.07
Do Accum	93.0	98.8	+5.8	0.07
Monthly Inc Fd	80.8	85.8●	-1.1	5.06
Recovery	135.6	144.2	+1.7	1.57
Do Accum	147.6	157.0	+1.8	1.57
European Inc	63.4	67.4	+1.3	0.63
Do Accum	63.4	67.4	+1.3	0.63
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS				
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey				
0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	191.4	203.1	-4.6	2.89
Do Accum	319.0	338.6	-7.6	2.89
FP Fixed Int Dist	107.6	114.4	-1.6	8.26
Do Accum	122.5	130.3	-2.1	8.26
Stewardship Dist	167.0	177.2	-3.0	1.77
Do Accum	172.3	182.9	-3.2	1.77
FUNDS IN COURT				
Public Trustee Kingsway WC2				
01-405 4300				
Capital	367.8	388.8c	..	2.86
Gross Inc	147.2	151.7	..	7.64
High Yield	217.1	227.8●	..	5.76
GT UNIT MANAGERS				
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ				
01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	98.6	103.4	-1.2	3.00
Do Accum	139.2	148.9	-1.8	3.00
Income Fund	77.5	82.8●	-0.4	6.20
Pension Exempt	173.7	181.9	+1.1	1.90
International	167.3	179.0	+5.6	0.90
US & General	54.4	58.2	+8.4	1.30
Tech & Growth	57.8	61.9	+2.4	1.30
Japan & General	258.6	274.5	+11.3	0.10
Far East & Gen	122.2	130.8	+5.7	0.40
European Fund	267.4	286.0	+9.1	0.30
Germany Fund	73.6	78.8c	+3.1	0.90
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP				
01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	80.6	86.7	+1.7	0.30
Australian Trust	23.2	25.0	+2.5	0.27
British Tst Accum	57.6	62.0	-1.3	1.95
Do Dist	50.4	53.7	-0.8	1.95
Commodity Share	64.6	69.7	+2.1	1.21
European Trust	54.4	58.5	+1.9	0.30
Extra Income Trust	48.1	51.8	-0.4	5.16
Far Eastern Trust	160.1	172.2●	+8.3	0.00
Fixed Interest Fund	25.9	27.9c	-0.2	10.20
Gilt Trust	24.6	25.6●	-0.3	9.06
Global Fund Accum	180.4	194.0	+6.4	0.18
Do Dist	171.8	184.9	+6.1	0.18
Gold Share Trust	15.7	16.9	+0.7	1.56
Hedged American	29.2	31.3	..	0.10
High Income Trust	139.2	149.7	+0.6	5.78
Hong Kong Trust	31.2	33.6	+2.5	1.00
Income Fund	73.5	78.9	-0.9	3.27
Insurance Agencies	£45.24	48.57	-1.49	2.17
Japan Trust	152.9	162.7	+3.8	0.00
Managed Exempt	261.3	272.2c	-0.5	2.48
Oil & Energy Trust	33.1	35.6	+1.6	1.76
Special Sits Trust	89.0	95.8●	-1.5	0.80
UK Smlr C's Rec Tst	72.8	78.3c	-0.5	0.84
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT				
Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA				
01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	79.9	85.4	+1.4	1.62
American Growth	60.0	64.5	+1.7	0.96
American Inc	66.1	71.0●	+2.0	5.67
European Growth	234.9	251.2c	+3.3	0.24
Gold & Minerals	43.6	46.8	+2.1	1.45
Japan Growth	154.0	165.5	+3.9	..
GRE UNIT MANAGERS				
Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN				
01-588 9903				
Gilt & Fixed Int	110.3	114.7●	-1.6	9.67
Growth Equity	192.1	204.4	-5.7	2.08
Guardhill	264.8	274.2●	-11.0	3.02
N American	136.4	145.2	+5.6	1.31
Pacific	247.7	263.3	+14.7	0.12
Property Share	260.9	277.0	-4.1	1.43
Smaller Companies	207.8	221.1	-3.1	1.73
European Trust	258.7	273.1	+1.8	1.04
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ				
01-623 9333				
High Income	51.1	54.8	-0.3	6.62
N Amer Trust	100.7	107.1●	+4.6	0.67
Recovery	199.6	212.4	+1.2	2.41
Gilt Trust	37.0	38.4●	-0.5	9.49
St Vincent Inc	83.5	88.1●	+0.4	5.51
St Vincent US Gth	71.3	74.3●	+2.5	0.79
Temple Bar Sm Co's	175.5	185.1	..	..
Temple Bar USM	364.0	393.1c	+0.90	..
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex				
0277 217916				
Hambros Smlr Co's	128.9	137.1	-2.6	1.89
Hambros N Amer	63.1	67.1	+1.5	0.96
Hambros Jap & F E	129.9	138.2	+5.0	0.43
Hambros Scandvn	83.8	89.1●	+0.6	0.86
Hambros European	102.8	109.4	+3.8	0.84
Hambros Canadian	49.4	52.5	+1.6	1.52
Hambros Equity Inc	82.0	87.2	-1.6	4.98
Hambros High Inc	58.9	63.5●	-0.7	5.79
Hambros Res Assets	58.7	60.3●	-0.2	2.54
Hambros Intl Sits	51.7	55.0	+0.4	0.80

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HENDERSON				
Premier UT Administration, 5 Rayleigh Rd. Brentwood, Essex				
0277 217238				
Amer Recovery Tst	101.7	108.8	-0.4	1.22
Amer Smaller Cos				
Australian	69.4	74.3	+0.3	1.55
Capital Growth Inc	53.3	57.0	-0.6	1.96
Do Acc	61.8	65.97	-1.0	1.59
European	257.1	276.5	+1.6	0.85
Euro Smaller Cos	101.4	109.0	+0.9	0.84
Extra Income	156.2	167.1	-2.2	4.58
Financial Trust	140.6	151.2	-1.7	2.49
Fixed Interest Tst	50.5	53.5	-0.1	8.97
Gilt Trust	40.9	43.4	-0.3	10.00
Global Healthcare	67.4	72.1	-0.1	0.01
Global Resources	68.7	73.5	-0.7	2.01
Global Tech	112.5	120.4	+0.6	0.01
Global Inc & Gth	60.1	63.5	-0.1	5.13
Gold	50.1	53.9	-0.7	3.85
High Income Tst	169.7	181.6	-2.3	4.86
Hong Kong	169.7	181.6	-2.3	3.21
Income & Growth	137.1	147.4	-2.1	3.21
Do Acc	268.1	286.8	-4.2	3.21
Income Assets	102.9	110.6	-1.5	3.86
International	172.2	185.1	-0.2	0.01
Japan Special Sits	189.9	204.1	+3.5	0.01
Japan Tst	176.9	190.2	+2.7	0.01
North American	134.3	143.6	-0.6	0.26
Pacific Smaller Co's	72.5	78.4	+0.8	0.74
Pref & Gilt	46.2	49.2	-0.1	9.49
Recovery Trust	93.5	99.9	-1.3	2.86
Singapore & Malay	31.3	33.6	+0.2	2.83
Smaller Co's Div	108.5	116.1	-1.0	4.91
Special Sits Inc	127.8	136.5	-1.4	0.90
Do Accum	180.7	193.3	-2.1	0.90
Worldwide	389.5	398.9	+0.9	2.99
Euro Exempt	128.0	136.8	+1.1	1.33
Global Tech Exempt	94.5	99.5	+0.1	0.93
High Income Exempt	118.6	125.1	-0.7	4.95
Japan Exempt	172.2	181.3	+3.6	0.50
N Amer Exempt	134.3	142.8	-0.8	0.26
Pacific Exempt	168.8	177.5	+1.7	1.85
Smaller Co's Exempt	118.1	122.2	-1.3	2.54
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
MLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon				
01-686 4355 / 01-628 8011				
British Trust Units	525.4	559.0	-9.5	3.00
Capital Trust Units	95.8	102.0	-1.0	3.10
Dollar Trust Units	181.3	192.9	-1.4	3.10
European Trust	142.1	151.2	+0.8	4.84
Far East Trust	135.1	144.8	+2.2	4.84
Financial Tst	352.5	375.0	-3.6	0.98
Gilt Fixed Int Inc	26.9	28.0	-0.2	0.98
Do Accum				
High Yield Tst	62.7	66.8	-0.7	2.74
Income Tst	80.0	85.2	-1.2	2.74
International	125.5	133.6	-0.4	2.74
Japan Tech Tst	38.0	40.5	-0.1	2.74
Natural Resources	34.2	36.4	+0.1	2.74
Security Tst	174.0	185.2	-3.0	2.74
Smaller Cos	87.1	92.7	-1.0	2.74
Special Sits	88.9	92.5	-1.4	2.74
IBI FUND MANAGERS				
32, Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB				
01-222 1000				
IBI Bdt & O'seas	135.2	143.9	+1.9	1.70
IBI Inc Plus	53.9	56.5c	-0.8	9.80
IBI Capital Growth	54.3	57.8●	-1.1	2.00
Investment Tst Fnd	70.1	74.8	+1.4	3.40
KEY FUND MANAGERS				
25, Fountain Street, Manchester				
061-236 5685 or 0800-3364				
Equity & Gen	43.2	46.5s	-1.5	2.03
Fixed Int	62.0	65.7●	-0.2	10.84
Higher Inc	115.1	123.1	..	5.31
Income	47.5	50.7	-0.8	3.92
International	258.2	277.2	..	1.00
KLEINWORT BENSON				
20, Fenchurch St. London EC3				
01-623 8000				
Amer Growth Inc	62.0	65.7	+2.4	1.33
Do Accum	63.3	67.1	+2.4	..
Fund Inv Tst Inc	20.2	21.6●	-0.2	2.23
Do Accum	25.9	27.7●	-0.3	..
High Yield Inc	128.2	134.4	-1.2	5.36
Do Accum	210.3	224.0	-2.0	..
Int Recovery Inc	102.3	108.9	+0.7	1.91
Do Accum	107.6	114.6	+0.6	..
Japan Growth Inc	107.3	113.7	+5.0	0.24
Do Accum	107.6	114.1	+5.0	..
Smaller Co's Inc	159.0	168.5●	-0.5	2.06
Do Accum	207.5	220.0	-0.6	..
UK Eq Growth Inc	27.8	29.5●	-0.8	0.93
Do Accum	45.9	48.7	-1.4	..
Worldwide Tech Inc	40.6	43.2●	+0.1	0.97
Do Accum	40.9	43.6●	+0.1	..
L & C UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
Piercy House, Copthall Ave, EC2R 7BE				
01-588 2800				
Income Fund	428.2	437.0	-7.2	5.20
International & Gen	249.1	254.2	+3.1	1.06
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
5, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex				
0277 234634				
Equity Distribution	264.4	282.8●	-3.0	2.46
Do Accum	419.3	447.4●	-4.8	2.45
Do Income	59.7	63.8	..	5.10
European	75.2	80.4	+0.9	1.11
Far Eastern	117.2	125.3●	+4.7	0.43
Gilt Trust	74.0	78.2c	+0.2	7.36
O'seas Equity	83.0	88.6	+2.5	0.83
Natural Res	63.3	67.7●	+3.2	1.13
N American Trust	77.2	82.6	+1.8	1.48
UK Special Sits	61.6	65.9	..	1.33
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Registrars Dpt, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex				
0444 459144				
Balanced	174.9	187.0	-5.0	3.33
Do Accum	311.5	333.1	-8.7	3.33
Energy Intl	51.7	55.2●	+1.6	2.56
Do Accum	57.9	61.9●	+1.7	2.56
Extra Income	154.3	165.0	-3.9	5.28
Do Accum	278.5	297.5	-7.0	5.28
German Gth Inc	72.4	77.4	+2.1	0.37
Do Accum	72.4	77.4	+2.1	0.37
Income	262.0	280.2	-6.5	4.73
Do Accum	515.8	551.5	-12.9	4.73
Intl Tech	186.7	199.5	+5.8	0.33
Do Accum	195.0	208.5	+5.8	0.33
Japan Growth	86.2	92.1	+4.4	0.02
Do Accum	86.4	92.4	+4.5	0.02
N Amer & Gen	97.1	103.8	+2.7	1.10
Do Accum	104.9	112.1	+2.9	1.10
Pacific Basin	137.5	147.0	+7.5	0.04
Do Accum	143.5	153.4	+7.8	0.04
Smaller Cos & Rec	188.8	201.9	-2.7	1.98
Do Accum	211.4	226.0	-2.9	1.98
Worldwide Growth	205.8	220.1	+7.1	0.92
Do Accum	289.3	309.4	+10.0	0.92
UK Growth Fund	46.6	49.8	-1.2	2.05
LONDON & MANCHESTER				
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS				
0392 52155				
General Trust	42.1	45.1	-1.1	3.70
Income Trust	35.4	37.9●	-0.9	5.40
International Trust	38.2	39.8	+1.7	0.70
American	30.9	33.1	+1.0	2.00
Japan	47.0	50.3●	+3.0	0.00
Trust of Inv	29.2	31.3c	+0.2	2.30
M & G SECURITIES				
Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ				
01-626 4588				
Amer & Gen Inc	213.7	228.7	+9.2	1.52
Do Accum	249.3	266.7	+10.6	1.52
Amer Recovery	236.4	253.0	+14.2	0.82
Do Accum	257.8	275.8	+15.6	0.82
Am Smaller Co Acc	55.0	58.8	+4.1	0.47
Aust Inc Acc	102.9	110.1	+8.3	0.83
Comm & Gen Inc	163.7	175.2	+7.9	2.86
Compound Inc Acc	216.4	231.5	+10.5	2.86
Compound Growth	401.7	429.8	-10.2	3.14
Conversion Growth	321.5	347.6	+3.3	2.76
Do Inc	184.9	198.0●	-2.2	3.14
Dividend Fund Inc	404.7	429.0	-10.8	5.20
Do Accum	£11.87	12.58	-0.29	5.20
Euro Inc Acc	270.8	287.1	-0.1	1.11

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Extra Yield Inc	217.8	230.9●	-3.8	5.82
Do Accum	477.8	506.6●	-8.3	5.82
Far Eastern Inc	137.2	146.6●	+5.8	1.51
Do Accum	162.9	175.6●	+7.2	1.51
Fund Of Inv Inc	244.8	259.3	-0.4	2.57
Do Acc	384.4	407.5	-0.6	2.57
General Income	608.0	644.5	-11.8	3.39
Do Accum	£12.69	13.68	-0.24	3.39
Gilt & Fixed Int	57.0	59.6●	-0.8	10.03
Do Accum	87.8	92.2	-1.4	10.03
Gold Income	46.6	49.5	+2.9	2.19
Do Accum	48.8	53.3	+3.2	2.19
High Income Inc	313.8	335.6	-3.5	5.43
Do Accum	890.0	929.5	-14.7	5.43
Intl Growth Inc	788.2	812.9	+16.3	1.49
Do Accum	£12.34	12.08	+0.25	1.49
Intl Inc Inc	61.3	69.0	+1.4	5.39
Japan Inc Acc	885.9	943.8	+28.3	0.09
Japan Smaller Acc	86.5	92.5	+1.7	0.14
Midland & Gen Inc	560.2	593.8	-11.5	4.20
Do Accum	£13.94	14.77	-0.28	4.20
Recovery Fund Inc	351.9	380.1	-8.8	3.40
Do Accum	458.9	483.4	-12.7	3.40
Second Gen Inc	709.5	752.1	-8.1	3.74
Do Accum	£14.00	14.84	-0.15	3.74
Smaller Cos Inc	651.1	703.2●	-8.6	2.93
Do Accum	£10.28	11.08	-0.14	2.93
Trustee Fund Inc	447.5	476.8	-8.8	4.39
Charibond Inc (3)	108.9		-1.7	11.47
Charifund Inc (3)	395.7	398.7	-6.5	5.72
Pension Exempt (1)	464.8	488.8	-3.0	4.40
NAACIF Inc (3)	37.6		-0.6	8.43
Do Accum (3)	469.5		-7.4	8.43
MIM BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
74/78, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1JD				
01-309 2777 Dealing: 01-638 0478/9				
MIM Britannia Unit Trusts				
UK Special Trust				
Growth Gilt	58.2	59.1●	-0.5	0.42
Smaller Co's	135.7	145.8●	-1.1	1.34
UK Market Features	79.4	84.8s	-2.3	1.86
Do Accum	81.7	87.1●	-2.3	1.86
General Funds				
UK Growth	38.3	38.7	-1.1	2.26
Managed Inv	58.1	62.0	+1.6	2.63
High Income Funds				
Extra Income	54.7	58.3	-0.7	7.69
Gilt	24.7	26.1	-0.4	8.16
Income & Growth	194.0	208.9	-2.2	4.30
Nat High Inc	186.5	199.0●	-3.2	4.90
Pref Shares	17.8	19.0●	-0.1	10.47
Sector Specialist Funds				
Commodity	143.7	153.3	+12.2	2.26
Financial Secs	47.2	50.5	+1.1	2.10
Intl Leisure	14.5	15.6	+0.4	0.57
Prop Shares	63.2	67.4●	-1.0	1.09
Univ Energy	43.8	46.7	+1.3	1.59
World Tech	41.4	44.2●	+0.9	0.85
Overseas Growth Fund				
American Growth	95.6	102.0●	+5.8	3.29
Australian Growth	72.7	77.8●	+7.2	1.59
Euro Smaller Cos	16.7	17.8c	+0.6	0.18
Far East	57.3	61.1●	+8.7	0.73
Intl Growth	36.9	39.4	+0.9	1.49
Intl Recovery	104.1	111.0c	+1.2	2.87
Japan Smaller	15.6	16.5●	+0.5	..
Overseas Income Fund				
Intl High Income	58.9	62.5●	+1.6	4.79
NEL Trusts				
Nelsar Gilt	68.2	69.9●	-0.8	10.57
BRITANNIA UNIT TRUSTS				
Gold & Gen	20.5	22.1	+1.8	1.93
Amer Smaller Co's	20.7	22.1	+1.2	0.43
Japan Perf	83.2	88.7	+8.9	..
Amer Income	58.2	62.1●	+1.1	5.25
Exempt	81.9	85.8	-1.8	3.73
Do Accum	130.2	138.8	+7.2	0.00
US Special Features	83.8	88.2	+4.1	0.00
Do Accum	83.9	88.9	+4.1	0.00
US Special Inc	59.0	63.6	+3.1	5.35
Do Accum	63.9	68.9	+3.4	5.35
Equity Exempt	402.0	419.8●	-8.6	3.53
Do Accum	509.7	531.3●	-8.6	3.53
European Perf Inc	89.2	95.1●	+0.2	0.94
Do Accum	89.3	95.3●	+0.2	0.93
MIM UNIT TRUSTS				
Gold & Precious Met	54.4	58.7●	+2.5	0.60
Do Accum	58.3	60.7●	+2.7	0.58
Japan Perf	128.7	138.3	+7.1	0.00
MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
99-100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX				
0622 674751				
MLA American	23.2	24.6	+0.5	1.02
MLA General	32.3	34.2	-0.8	2.16
MLA International	57.0	60.4c	+1.8	0.87
MLA Gilt Unit	22.1	23.4●	-0.4	11.11
MLA Income	38.5	40.8●	-1.2	5.51
MLA European	31.6	33.4●	+0.3	0.74
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT				
St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts				
0438 356101				
Growth Units	72.8	77.4●	-1.8	2.94
Gilt & Fixed Int	106.2	109.9	-1.8	7.81
High Income Units	111.6	118.6	-1.4	5.65
High Yield Gilt Unit	55.8	58.8	..	8.84
Intl Growth Units	139.0	148.6	+6.0	0.37
N American Units	69.2	73.6●	+3.5	0.85
Far East Units	98.7	104.9	+3.2	0.08
Smaller Cos Fund	67.9	72.2	-0.9	2.05
MENCAP UNIT TRUST				
Unicorn Hse, 252, Romford Rd, E7				
01-534 5544				
Mencap	133.1	141.5	-2.5	4.69
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD				
33, King William St. EC4R 9AS				
01-280 2860				
Amer Growth	92.3	98.1	+5.9	1.15
Do Accum	96.0	102.1	+6.2	1.15
Amer Income	49.7	52.8●	+0.5	4.64
Do Accum	53.1	56.4●	+1.7	4.64
European Growth	136.8	145.3●	+2.0	0.80
Do Accum	141.5	150.5●	+2.3	0.80
General	232.2	247.6●	-2.4	2.96
Do Accum	382.2	406.5●	-4.0	2.96
Gilt & Fixed	82.3	83.1	-0.9	8.17
Do Accum	92.7	93.6	-1.1	8.17
Income	81.3	86.4●	+1.2	4.52
Do Accum	90.7	96.4●	+1.3	4.52
International	263.1	279.8	+14.6	0.65
Do Accum	326.2	347.0	+17.8	0.65
Japan	194.8	207.2	+12.1	0.00
Do Accum	199.3	212.0	+12.4	0.00
Recovery	186.7	198.6	-2.0	2.52
Do Accum	199.3	212.0	-2.3	2.52
Exempt Dist	236.0	243.2	+0.2	2.96
Exempt Accum	365.9	377.2	+0.4	2.96
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Courtwood Hse, Silver St, Head, Sheffield S1 3RD				
0742 769842				
Capital Income	73.5	78.4	-1.8	2.56
Do Accum	100.1	106.8	-2.4	2.56
Commodity & Gen	121.2	129.3	+5.4	3.03
Do Accum	171.1	182.5	+7.7	3.03
Extra High Inc	58.2	62.0c	..	7.64
Do Accum	63.2	72.7c	..	7.64
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.8	53.1●	-0.8	9.93
Do Accum	84.3	88.0●	-1.4	9.93
High Yield	158.1	168.9	-1.1	5.71
Do Accum	260.1	277.4	-1.7	5.71
Income	164.0	174.9	-2.6	4.04
Do Accum	271.8	289.7	-4.1	4.04
Japan & Pacific	330.4	350.4●	+15.9	0.06
Do Accum	315.1	336.1●	+16.7	0.06
N American Inc	108.5	115.7	+3.8	1.24
Do Accum	131.1	139.8	+4.6	1.24
Euro Gth Inc	127.1	135.5	+2.2	1.36

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Do Accum	152.4	162.6	+2.6	1.36
Smaller Cos Inc	111.9	119.3	-1.1	2.37
Do Accum	119.4	127.4	-1.2	2.37
Managed Port Acc	58.1	62.0	-0.6	3.70
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
163, Hope Street, Glasgow G2 2UH				
041 221 9252				
American	116.3	124.1●	+3.3	3.22
European	261.3	278.9●	+3.7	1.34
Smaller Cos	213.7	228.1	-3.7	1.22
NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH				
01-623 4200 Ext 289				
NPI UK	195.0	207.5	-2.4	2.80
Do Accum	317.5	337.9	-1.1	2.80
NPI Overseas	603.3	641.9●	+16.8	0.98
Do Accum	738.1	785.3●	+23.1	0.90
Far East Acc	93.7	101.9●	+4.6	0.10
American Acc	58.8	62.7	+2.1	1.10
European Acc	55.6	59.2c	+0.7	0.80
Worldwide Acc	52.3	55.7●	+1.5	2.40
NORWICH UT MANAGERS				
PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG				
0603 622200				
Group Trust	£11.55	12.28	-0.37	3.63
Intl Trust	134.9	142.0c	+4.9	1.26
OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT				
66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE				
dealings 01-236 3885/6/7/8/9/0				
International Growth	145.4	158.6	+2.4	0.70
Income & Growth	58.3	62.4c	-1.9	2.87
Worldwide Rec	88.2	94.4	+0.6	0.41
American Growth	31.3	33.5●	+2.5	..
Japan Growth	61.7	66.0	+5.0	0.00
European Growth	70.9	75.9	-0.8	1.21
UK Growth	53.2	57.0	-1.1	0.17
Pacific Growth	50.2	53.4	+0.9	..
High Income	34.0	36.4c	-0.1	7.00
Practical Income	53.8	57.3●	+0.1	1.78
Do Accum	98.7	105.1●	+0.2	1.78
PEARL TRUST				
252, High Holborn, WC1V 7EB				
01-405 8441				
Growth Fund Inc	88.9	94.6	-1.3	2.20
Do Accum	133.6	142.1	-3.0	2.20
Income Fund	118.5	126.1c	-2.5	3.83
Intl Equity Inc	133.1	141.6●	+2.4	1.51
Do Accum	134.3	142.9●	+2.5	1.51
Unit Trust Inc	124.9	132.9	-2.7	2.93
Do Accum	216.4	230.2	-4.8	2.93
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST				
48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames				
0491 576868				
Intl Growth	268.3	287.9c	+7.8	0.75
Income	186.0	199.2c	-2.4	4.49
Worldwide Rec	147.9	158.7	+2.8	1.36
Amer Growth	65.6	70.4	+1.6	0.74
Intl Emerg Co's	76.1	81.7	+0.9	0.90
Far East Grwth	79.8	85.7	+3.9	0.80
European Gth	80.8	84.7	+0.5	1.49
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS				
222, Bishopsgate, London EC2				
01-247 7544/7				
International	117.3	126.2c	+3.5	0.78
High Income	60.3	64.9s	-1.4	4.29
Conv Gilt	96.9	104.2●	-1.2	3.86
Far Eastern	177.8	193.1●	+10.0	0.02
North American	128.2	134.7●	+5.7	0.71
Special Sits	67.7	72.9●	-2.1	1.69
Technology	110.5	118.9	+4.7	0.00
Extra Income	86.3	92.8●	-1.4	4.81
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
51-59, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL				
01-478 3377				
Holborn Equity	388.8	413.6c	-8.2	3.31
European	104.6	111.2	+2.7	0.54
Holborn Comms	82.5	86.8	+0.7	0.88
Holborn High Inc	82.4	86.3●	-1.1	6.64
Holborn Intl	100.3	106.8	+4.0	0.62
Japanese	103.3	109.8●	+7.9	0.05
N American	70.5	75.0	+3.8	0.88
Holborn Spec Sits	62.3	66.2	+0.2	2.11
Holborn UK Growth	78.0	82.9●	-1.6	2.24
Holborn Gilt Trust	177.4	186.4	-3.1	2.85
QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY				
31-45 Gresham St, London EC2V 7LH				
01-600 4177				
Quadrant General	433.3	461.0	-11.7	2.48
Quadrant Income	235.4	250.5	-3.8	5.26
Quadrant Intl Fd	392.3	413.0	-1.2	1.07
Quadrant Recovery	249.7	265.7●	-5.9	2.63
NM ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT				
St Swithins Lane, London EC4P 4DU				
01-280 5456				
NC Income	85.9	91.3	-1.6	4.27
NC Japan	195.4	207.8	+7.0	0.01
NC Major UK Co	49.2	52.3	-1.0	1.95
NC Smaller Aus	57.5	61.1	+2.7	1.84
NC American Inc	269.4	286.5	+5.8	1.40
Do Accum	294.1	312.8	+6.3	1.40
NC Smaller Cos	150.0	161.6●	-2.0	2.06
NC Smlr Europ Co's	191.2	203.3	+3.7	0.41
NC Exempt Gilt	£123.0	128.0	..	8.92
ROWAN UNIT TRUST				
33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS				
01-626 5678				
American (4)	226.0	230.0	+16.0	1.84
Securities (2)	719.0	734.0●	+20.5	2.17
High Yield (5)	174.5	178.9	-0.5	6.41
Merlin (3)	397.0	405.0	-5.0	2.33
Fixed Interest	158.5	157.5	-4.5	2.63
High Interest	109.5	110.5●	-2.0	13.85
Far East (2)	248.5	252.0	+11.5	0.85
ROYAL LIFE FUND MANAGEMENT				
New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS				
051-227 4422				
Equity Trust	59.8	63.6	-1.6	2.76
Intl Trust	74.0	78.7●	+2.0	1.27
Gilt Trust	24.9	26.2	-0.6	8.77
US Trust	31.9	33.9●	+0.9	1.57
Pacific Basin Tst	44.7	47.5c	+1.9	0.36
20 Clifton St, London EC2				
01-920 0311				
Equity Dist	110.4	117.5	-4.2	1.60
Do Accum	155.2	165.2	-6.0	1.60
High Income Trust	87.6	93.2●	-2.2	4.54
Do Accum	103.2	109.8●	-2.6	4.54
US Growth	54.6	58.1	+1.7	0.99
Do Accum	55.6	59.2	+1.8	0.98
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Royal London House, Colchester CO1 1RA				
0206 576115				
American Growth	82.0	87.3	+1.7	0.84
Capital Accum	171.8	182.6	-5.8	2.33
Gilt Income	51.5	54.3●	-1.2	9.51
High Income	77.9	82.9●	-1.6	4.59
Income & Growth	96.9	103.1	-2.3	4.36
Japan Growth	96.0	102.2	+4.2	0.03
Special Sits	103.5	110.1●	-1.0	1.37
SAVE & PROSPER				
28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB				
(Romford) 0708-66966				
Amer Inc & Growth	66.5	71.1	+1.6	7.03
Capital Units	101.8	108.8	+2.1	2.05
Commodity	51.7	55.2●	+0.9	1.14
European Growth	115.5	123.5	+2.2	0.48
Financial Secs	98.6	105.4	+2.3	2.04
High Return Units	178.3	180.8	-2.5	5.07
High Yield Units	162.6	173.9c	-2.6	4.68
Income Units	90.8	97.1●	-0.4	6.28
Investment Trust	86.8	92.8	+0.2	2.88
Japan Growth	106.3	113.6●	+7.5	0.00

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Japan Smaller Cos	119.2	126.4	+1.8	0.00
Musterfund	29.6	31.6	+0.5	2.89
Scotbits	128.4	137.3	+0.5	2.49
Scotshares	151.1	161.6	-2.2	4.25
Scotyields	148.2	158.5●	-2.1	4.85
Select International	80.6	86.1	+2.8	1.49
Smaller Co's Inc	156.4	167.2c	-2.1	4.39
Special Situations	89.9	96.1	-2.5	2.05
UK Equity	174.1	186.2	-3.0	2.75
US Growth	70.2	75.0	+3.2	1.93
Universal Growth	91.1	97.4	+3.0	1.28
SCHRODER UNIT TRUST				
Enterprise House, Portsmouth				
0705 827733				
Amer Inc Acc	128.0	136.6	+6.2	0.76
Aust Inc Acc	71.1	76.4●	+8.2	1.72
European Inc	123.8	132.4●	+2.6	0.96
Do Accum	127.1	135.9c	+2.8	0.96
Gilt & Fxd Inc	51.3	54.1●	-1.0	9.08
Gold Fund Inc	40.3	43.1●	+1.7	1.58
Do Accum	42.1	45.0●	+1.8	1.58
Income	171.7	183.6	-2.1	5.18
Intl Income	115.6	123.6	+2.9	0.45
Do Accum	159.7	170.7	+4.1	0.45
Jap Smlr Co's Ac	139.1	148.7	+2.2	0.00
Sing & Malay Acc	80.9	86.1	+2.1	0.89
Smaller Co Inc Acc	133.5	142.7	-0.9	1.19
Special Sits Inc	102.6	109.9c	-0.2	0.98
Do Accum	106.5	113.9c	-0.2	0.98
Tokyo Fund Inc	225.9	241.5●	+6.6	0.00
Do Accum	228.2	244.0●	+3.7	0.00
US Smaller Co's Ac	50.8	54.3	+1.7	0.00
UK Equity Inc	99.7	106.6	-1.5	3.40
Do Accum	154.8	165.5	-2.4	3.40
Far East Gth Accum	57.5	61.4●	+2.4	0.50
Extra Inc	82.2	88.5●	-0.3	7.38
SCIMITAR ASSET MANAGEMENT				
33-36 Gracechurch St London EC3V 0AX				
01-623 5776/8711				
UK Equity Inc	23.8	25.3●	-0.2	5.11
Do Acc	24.0	25.6c	-0.1	5.11
Euro Tst Inc	28.1	29.9	+0.8	1.00
Do Acc	28.1	29.9	+0.8	1.00
Global Gst Inc	28.5	30.3	+0.6	1.00
Do Acc	28.5	30.3	+0.5	1.00
Managed Exempt	118.9	123.8	+0.7	4.00
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE				
28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh				
031-556 9101				
Intl Income Units	154.0	163.8c	+4.1	3.62
Do Accum	228.8	243.4c	+6.2	3.62
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS				
19, St. Andrews Sq. Edinburgh				
031 225 2211				
UK Equity	179.5	192.0c	-2.4	1.63
American	148.3	158.5c	+6.7	1.32
Pacific	191.8	205.2c	+8.7	0.05
European	251.0	268.5c	+5.6	0.54
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
109, Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN				
041-248 6100				
UK Equity	163.1	173.6c	-4.9	2.65
Gilt & Fixed	109.0	116.0c	-1.8	8.65
UK Smlr Co's Eq	145.4	154.7c	-2.5	2.38
European	212.0	225.6s	+4.6	0.96
N American	111.6	118.8c	+5.3	1.45
Pacific	189.8	201.8c	+12.8	0.47
SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST				
29, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh				
031-226 4372				
Pacific	70.2	75.1	+4.9	0.00
World Growth	38.0	40.7	+1.7	0.14
N American	31.6	33.9	+1.3	0.03
Income Fund	44.4	47.5●	-0.7	4.98
European	45.5	48.7	+0.5	0.82
N Amer Inc	26.2	28.1c	+1.2	1.95
UK Growth	30.0	32.1c	-0.7	2.12
Extra Inc	31.3	33.5●	-0.3	5.39
SCOTTISH WIDOWS				
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU				
031-655 6000				
Peg Eq Inc	226.6	241.2c	-5.2	3.20
Do Accum	260.9	277.7c	-6.1	3.20
SENTINEL FUNDS MANAGEMENT				
30, City Road, London EC1Y 2AY				
01-638 6011				
Amer Tech & Gen	95.6	102.3●	+3.0	0.24
Pacific	199.5	213.5	+7.2	0.00
Sec Income Fnd	164.0	175.5	-5.1	4.16
Special Situations	199.5	213.5	-4.8	1.49
Intl Growth	83.8	89.1●	+0.5	0.86
American Majors	68.2	73.0	+2.1	0.31
Small Co's	39.0	41.7●	-0.7	1.67
Japan Tech & Gen	113.7	121.7	+3.3	0.00
International Income	55.7	59.6	-0.4	5.63
Exempt	537.1	574.7c	-11.2	2.26
UK General	33.5	35.8	-0.6	1.81
Euro Growth	40.4	43.2	+0.6	0.82
Euro Income	45.5	48.7●	+1.5	4.00
STANDARD LIFE				
3, George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ				
031 225 2552				
Income Units	25.0	26.8c	-0.2	2.57
Do Accum Units	27.7	29.7c	-0.2	2.57
STEWART, IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
45, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh				
031-226 3271				
American Fund	215.5	229.5	+8.6	2.42
Do Accum	242.0	257.7	+7.4	2.42
Do Withdrawal	151.2	161.1	+4.8	2.42
Australian Fund	118.9	126.7	+4.9	1.05
Do Accum	120.8	128.9	+5.0	1.05
British Fund	576.4	613.9●	-11.1	4.34
Do Accum	786.2	837.3●	-15.1	4.34
European Fund	318.2	338.9c	+8.1	0.81
Do Accum	335.1	356.9c	+8.6	0.81
Japan Fund	66.9	71.2s	+1.6	0.21
Do Accum	67.2	71.6●	+1.7	0.21
Saints PPP	165.9	175.7	..	..
SUN LIFE OF CANADA				
2,3,4, Cockspur Street, SW1Y 5BH				
Dealing No 01 930 2602				
UK Income	23.2	24.8	-0.2	5.04
UK Growth	23.0	24.5	-0.5	3.07
SUN ALLIANCE				
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex				
0403 56293				
Equity Trust Acc	376.8	400.8	-8.9	2.69
N Am Trust Acc	57.6	61.2	+2.1	1.33
Far East Trust Acc	92.2	98.0	+5.9	0.24
Worldwide Bond	51.4	54.6	+0.8	6.54
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Keens House, Andover, Hants, SP10 1PG				
0264 56789 Dealings: 0264 63432/3/4				
American Inc	111.8	119.0●	+5.4	1.48
Do Accum	117.5	125.1●	+5.6	1.46
Extra Income Inc	113.3	120.6●	-1.4	5.50
Do Accum	136.5	144.6●	-1.7	5.50
General Unit Inc	153.5	163.4	-3.6	2.91
Do Accum	252.9	269.1	-5.9	2.91
Gilt & Fixed Inc	45.5	48.5	-0.1	9.05
Do Accum	61.6	64.2	-0.1	9.05
Income	211.6	225.2	-4.3	4.54
Accum	330.1	351.2	-6.8	4.54
Pacific Inc	176.0	187.2	+13.2	0.40
Do Accum	181.7	193.4	+13.6	0.40
Intl Inc	328.4	354.7	+14.4	1.20
Do Accum	411.7	438.0	+17.7	1.20
Selected Opps Inc	63.0	67.1●	-0.9	1.82
Do Accum	69.6	74.1●	-1.0	1.82
Natural Res	49.8	53.1c	+2.2	1.95
Do Accum	51.3	54.6●	+2.3	1.95
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS				
Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks				
0296 5941				
Amer Eagle	71.0	75.4	+1.6	0.08
Australian	18.5	20.0	+1.7	0.10

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Commodity	74.5	79.6	+5.5	1.13
Energy	28.0	31.0	-0.2	1.91
Equity	120.2	128.8	-3.0	3.61
European Spec Sits	110.8	117.3	+2.5	0.69
Extra Income	112.1	120.6●	+0.2	5.90
Financial	255.7	273.6●	-4.5	1.92
Gilt Income	93.3	103.3●	-1.7	9.39
Gold Income	69.7	74.4	+3.5	0.67
Do Accum	127.5	136.3	+7.6	0.67
Income	79.7	85.1●	-1.7	4.69
Japan	108.5	115.2●	+6.9	0.10
Malay & Singapore	24.9	26.6	+0.9	0.92
Pacific Inc	105.0	111.4●	+7.7	0.95
Do Reinvest	128.8	136.7●	+9.1	0.96
Pref Share Fd	17.6	19.6c	-0.1	9.56
UK Capital	69.7	74.6●	-1.3	1.38
Special Sits	83.3	88.9●	-2.2	0.72
Technology	43.2	45.8	+1.1	0.10
World Income	60.3	64.4c	+0.7	4.42
Worldwide Capital	143.1	153.9	+2.6	1.18
Equity Ex (3)	83.8	89.4	+1.3	2.07
Do Accum (3)	157.9	168.4	+2.8	2.07
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
Park House 16 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7DJ				
01-638 4761				
Far East & Gen	60.0	64.6	+3.2	0.77
Japan & Gen	53.8	58.1	+1.5	0.88
Nth Amer & Gen	48.8	52.3	+1.9	0.95
Pacific Tech	51.5	55.4	+0.6	0.30
Tiger	63.6	68.7	+3.0	0.73
UK & Gen	41.0	44.7	-1.4	2.31
Oriental Inc		25.0		3.00
Do Accum		25.0		3.00
3i UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP				
01 928-3358				
Smaller Co's	61.9	65.8	+0.3	0.00
TOUCHE REMNANT				
Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT				
01-248 1250				
American Growth	39.6	42.1●	+1.7	0.88
General Growth	30.4	34.2	-1.6	2.04
Global Tech	43.1	46.1	+1.1	0.10
Income Growth	59.4	63.2	-1.2	4.34
Income Monthly	47.1	50.4●	-1.1	6.35
Japan Growth	50.5	54.0	+2.5	0.12
Man Equity Inc	23.9	25.4	-0.5	2.36
Do Accum	23.9	25.4	-0.5	2.36
O'seas Growth	49.4	52.8	+2.6	0.90
Smaller Cos	62.1	66.1c	-1.3	1.35
Special Opps	72.8	77.9●	-1.1	1.43
TYNDALL MANAGERS				
18, Canynge Rd, Bristol				
0272 732241				
Australian	59.9	63.0	+4.2	1.79
Do Acc	61.3	65.6	+4.3	1.79
Capital	303.6	323.3c	-8.3	3.31
Do Accum	544.5	579.9c	-14.9	3.31
Exempt	284.5	303.0●	-8.3	5.77
Do Accum	865.4	896.0●	-14.6	5.77
Far Eastern	182.7	195.4●	+11.4	0.19
Do Accum	197.3	211.0●	+12.4	0.19
Fin & Prop	53.8	57.3	-1.6	3.29
Do Accum	84.9	90.4	-2.5	3.29
Gilt Capital	117.7	121.8c	-1.8	8.75
Do Accum	136.4	140.6c	-2.1	8.75
Gilt Income	99.6	102.7●	-2.3	10.38
Do Accum	165.9	170.9●	-3.8	10.38
High Yield	53.9	57.4	-0.5	6.25
Do Accum	118.0	125.7	-1.2	6.25
Income	227.4	242.2●	-4.9	5.18
Do Accum	710.1	756.2●	-15.4	5.16
Intl Earnings	154.7	164.7c	-4.4	2.70
UK PROVIDENT UT MANAGERS				
UK House, Castle St, Salisbury SP1 3SH				
0722 336242				
UK Equity	112.5	119.3	+0.4	..
Pacific Basin	172.7	183.1	+11.7	..
N Amer	118.6	126.9	+5.8	..
VANGUARD TRUST				
65 Holborn Viaduct, EC1A 2EU				
General Enquiries 01-236 3053 Dealing Line 01-236 2468				
Growth Inc	179.7	191.2●	-6.0	2.42
Do Accum	265.4	282.4●	-11.6	2.42
High Yield	200.5	213.3	-4.1	5.06
Do Accum	205.1	218.2	-4.1	5.06
Special Sits	39.1	41.8	-1.7	2.44
Do Accum	39.3	41.8	-1.6	2.44
Trustee	135.2	143.8●	-1.5	4.14
Do Accum	207.2	220.5	-2.1	4.14
Amer & Gen	57.9	61.6●	+1.4	2.09
Do Accum	58.1	61.8	+1.6	2.09
Master Portfolio	£61.26	62.65	+0.11	2.41
Do Accum	£61.53	63.11	+0.11	2.41
Abing Rdfn Asts (6)	114.2	121.5●	-0.3	2.78
Do Accum	114.9	122.3	-0.3	2.78
Far East & Gen Inc	53.7	57.2	+2.6	0.00
Do Accum	53.7	57.2	+2.6	0.00
WARDLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Wardley House, 7, Devonshire Sq, London EC2				
01-929 1532				
American Trust	64.1	68.9	+1.8	1.40
Far East & Gen	109.7	116.7●	+8.2	0.40
Intl Growth	72.3	77.0	+1.9	0.40
Income Trust	84.4	90.8c	-0.9	5.20
Japan Growth	134.2	144.3c	+9.2	0.10
Small Companies	107.2	115.3	+0.3	2.00
Technology	33.9	36.4	+0.4	0.10
Australia	43.2	46.5	+2.0	1.50
UK Trust	128.2	136.4	-3.5	2.30
European Growth	57.5	61.2	+2.2	0.20
Hong Kong	25.8	27.5	+2.8	1.40
WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT				
13, Charlotte Sq., Edinburgh				
031-225 1551				
Australian Gold	23.3	24.9	+2.5	0.15
Pacific Basin	19.5	20.9	+3.1	0.20
Canadian Bal Gth	58.9	62.9c	+2.1	0.97
Ginnie Mae Fnd	£101.6	105.8●	+0.7	7.10
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2 Honey La EC2 8BT				
01-606 9085/6				
Sht Dtd Gilt Fund	67.7	68.8	+0.1	0.00
US Govt Bond Fd	£51.1	51.3	+0.1	..
WINDSOR TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Windsor House, 83, Kingsway, London WC2B 6SD				
01-405 8331				
Cons & Equity	48.3	51.4c	-0.6	7.67
Income	52.6	56.2●	-0.8	5.17
Growth	50.9	54.2●	-0.8	2.29

The prices in this section refer to Friday's trading

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Tuesday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of February, May, August, November. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly. (41) Last Thursday of Stock Exchange account. (42) Last day of month. (43) 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month. (44) Quarterly. (45) 6th of month. (46) 2nd Tuesday of month.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
15	8½	A & M Gp	9½	● ..	0.6	6.3	12.6
80	45	ATA Selection	50	-2	2.1	4.2	13.4
130	93	Abbeyrest	117	-2	3.6	3.1	15.7
69	33	Aberdeen Stk Hse	45	+2	3.1	6.9	12.6
143	45	Access Satellite			4.8f	..	..
108	32	Acorn Comp	44	..	..	..	3.1
21	6½	Acsis Jewellery	15	..	..	..	8.6
32	10½	Adam Leisure	14	..	..	..	1.8
123	86	Airspring	98	..	7.7	7.9	..
297	204	Allds	280	● ..	9.6	3.8	14.1
173	152	Angle Secure Hms	173	+9	2.3	1.3	24.0
121	89	Antler	108	+2	..	..	..
166	131	Appleinst	158	..	2.9	1.8	15.2
290	210	App Holographics	215	+3	..	..	..
250	185	Do Wrnts	193	-7	..	..	..
355	193	Aspen Comms	310	● ..	4.4	1.4	32.3
180	110	Aspinall	110	● ..	8.6	7.8	5.9
620	443	Aspray	548	● ..	14.3	2.6	15.7
40	16	Assoc Energy	33	..	..	..	8.2
233	174	ASD	178	● ..	11.4	6.4	7.7
129	122	Atlas Equipment	128	..	7.0	5.5	11.8
93	61	Automagic	85	● -3	8.6	10.1	12.8
70	68	BBB Design	69	..	1.4	2.0	16.5
228	185	BPP	200	● ..	7.1	3.6	16.3
85	68	BTS Grp	80	● ..	5.7	7.1	9.4
123	56	Bedford (William)	85	● ..	6.4	7.5	7.9
28	12	Bennett & Fountain	25½	-2	0.6	2.4	27.4
53	31	Bensons Crisps	40	..	..	..	11.2
17½	7¾	Berkeley & Hay	16¼	+¼	..	..	28.0
91	26	Berkeley Exp	32	+2	..	..	4.5
245	139	Berkeley Gp	218	-10	3.0	1.4	24.0
30	11	Bio Isolates	11	..	..	..	..
34	18	Biomechanics	26	-1	..	..	..
44	40	Bipol	40	..	1.8	4.5	10.0
136	68	Blanchards	108	● +1	6.4	5.9	11.7
233	165	Bluebird Toys	233	+3	5.0	2.1	18.0
160	138	Borland	139	..	..	..	..
27	19	Brewmaker	19	..	1.1	5.8	10.1
210	85	Brikat	97	+2	6.0	6.2	6.8
200	125	Brint	200	..	..	..	..
130	73	Britannia Sec	125	-1	2.1b	1.7	20.4
250	165	Br Bloodstock	163	-3	12.8	7.6	7.8
59	50	Br Island	56	+1	4.0	6.9	10.5
59	49	Broad St	50	+1	1.8	3.2	..
39	48	Broad St	50	+1	1.6b	3.2	..
358	178	Brookmount	283	-15	5.0	1.8	15.4
183	115	Brown (Charlie)	163	+3	3.6	2.2	23.9
345	195	Bryant (Derek)	228	..	11.6b	5.1	8.1
9	2	Bula Resources	2	..	..	..	..
92	73	CCA Galleries	90	..	3.4	3.8	13.4
180	125	CML Micro	150	..	2.6	1.7	15.4
36	5¼	CPS Comp	6¼	..	1.4	22.4	3.3
42	25	CPU Comp	28	..	..●	..	15.8
195	130	CVD	145	● ..	..	..	..
320	85	Caledonian Off	90	..	..	..	..
69	62	Camotech	65	..	2.9	4.5	13.3
147	85	Cannon Street Inv	142	..	3.6	2.5	27.1
350	213	Central TV	345	● ..	20.0	5.8	13.6
120	64	Chancery Secs	110	+2	3.1	2.8	13.3
143	80	Checkpoint Europe	133	..	..	..	11.7
132	125	Chelsea Man	129	-1	3.1	2.4	21.2
16	6½	Chem Methods	6½	..	3.0	46.2	..
253	120	Cheshire W	195	..	5.2	2.7	20.8
17	8½	Cifer	10	..	..●	..	1.5
40	25	Chyvision	30	..	..	..	..
603	475	Chyvision 7%	550	+5	..	..	..
115	70	Circaprint	71	..	1.5	2.1	8.2
173	152	Clarke Hooper	161	..	3.3	2.0	21.8
25	11	Clogau Gold	24	..	..	..	..
40	25	Cluff Oil Hldgs	38	+5	..	..	..
113	87	Coated Electrodes	105	..	5.8	5.3	12.2
95	53	Cobra Emerald	60	..	..	..	..
130	21	Colline	123	-3	3.9	3.2	13.5
108	21	Colorgen Inc	25	..	..	..	..
175	110	Comp Financial	153	..	3.1	2.0	28.1
53	30	Compsoft	35	..	..	..	5.9
130	74	Consultants	116	..	1.8	1.6	22.6
60	38	Cons Tern Invs	45	..	7.1●	15.4	30.9
343	208	Conti Microwave	270	● ..	6.4	2.4	15.5
106	85	Cowells	93	..	3.7	4.0	12.8
143	98	CPM	100	..	2.5	2.5	14.8
415	308	Cramphorn	328	..	7.4	2.3	23.2
78	48	Cranbrook	60	..	0.7●	1.4	13.2
114	96	Cranswick	110	..	7.6	6.9	9.5
138	75	Craton Lodge	83	..	2.8	3.4	17.5
198	168	Creighton Labs	180	..	5.3	2.9	22.0
103	58	Crown TV Prod	71	-5	6.0	8.5	14.0
97	75	Crusts	90	+4	1.5	1.7	10.0
73	43	DBE Tech	48	..	..	..	30.0
183	116	DDT	178	..	1.7	1.0	18.5
140	78	DJ Sec Alarms	98	+2	2.1	2.1	8.0
91	63	Datron	68	● ..	1.4	2.1	11.9
216	190	Dawes (DY)	202	-1	4.9	2.4	21.5
84	35	Dean & Bowes	77	-3	3.6	4.7	18.8
29	20	De Brett (Andre)	24½	..	0.4	1.6	14.3
145	134	Debtor	140	● ..	5.7	4.1	..
57	40	Delmar	46	..	2.9	6.3	9.1
138	105	Dencora	118	-2	2.9	2.5	16.3
115	70	Densons Elec	80	..	5.4	6.8	6.1
185	68	Dewey Warren	76	..	10.7●	14.1	5.1
230	130	Dialene	225	● ..	7.0	3.1	12.3
460	345	Druck	428	..	5.6	1.3	28.6
24½	17½	Dunton	17½	-1	0.3	1.7	13.5
58	39	Eadie	54	-1	2.5	4.6	16.7
148	102	Ealing Elect Optics	129	..	3.1	2.4	22.4
32½	9	Ecobric	29½	+2	0.4	1.4	21.3
325	238	Edin Fund	240	● ..	9.3	3.9	14.3
43	22	Edin Oil & Gas	25	+2	..●	..	62.5
379	244	Eldridge Pope 'A'	379	+2	9.6	2.5	17.6
148	108	Electron House	125	● ..	4.9	3.9	15.4
100	61	Electronic Data P	83	..	2.3	2.8	12.2
33	24	Ennax	24	..	..	..	..
18	7	Entertainment Prod	14	..	1.4	10.0	6.3
215	122	Equipu	140	● ..	7.1	5.1	11.7
112	105	Eve Construction	105	-1	6.4	6.1	11.9
310	138	FII	305	-8	..	..	..
248	151	FKB Gp	235	● ..	3.8	1.5	25.2

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181	143	F & H Group	143	..	..	..	..
90	51	Feedback	53	..	3.9	7.4	19.1
42	18	Fergebrook	21	..	1.7	8.1	1.7
133	123	Fields (Mrs)	130	● ..	..	..	..
73	63	Fletcher Dennys	68	..	3.6	5.3	15.8
65	31	Flexitech	50	..	..	..	8.8
208	100	Flogas	185	● -4	258	..	..
60	30	Floyd Oil	30	-2	..	..	12.3
88	84	Ford & Weston	84	-2	4.3	5.1	10.1
220	130	French Conn	130	..	7.5	5.8	8.5
112	65	Freshbake	111	..	2.7	2.4	18.5
338	210	Fuller Smith 'A'	331	+3	5.9	1.8	17.2
148	94	Gabicci	142	● ..	4.3	3.0	17.0
150	93	Gee (Cecil)	93	-2	3.7	4.0	..
47	35	Gee/Rosen	44	+3	2.4	5.5	13.3
85	72	Gibbon Lyons	83	..	5.0	8.0	14.3
165	100	Gibbs Mew	155	● -5	5.1	3.3	17.0
17	11	Gilbert House	14	..	..	..	56.0
60	32	Global Gp	44	..	3.2	7.3	10.7
186	78	Godwin Warren	81	..	3.1	3.8	11.5
143	88	Goodhead Print	128	● -2	4.3	3.4	14.3
128	95	Gould (Laurence)	105	-2	5.3	5.0	8.5
91	58	Granyte Surface	65	..	3.0	4.6	11.3
140	118	Green (Ernest)	140	..	4.9	3.5	13.6
38	19	Greenwich Cable	25	..	..	..	..
115	81½	Grosvenor Sq	88	● -2	8.6	9.8	7.0
190	160	Guernsey Atlantic	190	..	3.5	1.8	55.9
98	58	Hampden Homecare	86	..	2.1	2.4	14.1
228	133	Harvey & Thomp	215	● +4	8.6	4.0	14.3
255	195	Havelock Europa	233	● ..	5.7	2.4	21.8
46	26	Health Care	41	..	1.1	2.7	18.3
480	383½	Heavitree	430	..	12.3	2.9	18.9
390	293½	Do 'A' LV	390	..	12.3	3.2	15.3
150	143½	Henderson Prime	150	..	..	..	..
415	170	High-Point	170	..	6.1	3.6	10.8
205	45	Highland Part	45	-2	..	..	..
91	85	Hile Ergonom	88	..	2.9	3.3	14.1
30½	7	Hobson	28½	..	..	..	..
118	105	Hodgson	118	+2	3.0	2.5	19.7
133	105	Holden Hydroman	125	..	4.6	3.7	16.0
158	112	Holmes Protection	112	..	..	..	..
26	22	Hughes Food	23½	..	0.7	3.0	16.9
14	6½	Humbred Elec	8	+½	0.4	5.0	8.0
168	115	Hunter Saphir	163	..	3.6	2.2	21.3
255	168	Huntleigh Tech	190	● -14½	2.1	1.1	22.9
220	165	INSTEM	175	-10	3.6	2.1	15.0
31	13	Imtec	13	-1	3.0	23.1	1.6
115	44	Ind Scot Energy	85	..	..	..	10.2
103	68	InfraRed	70	+2	..	..	..
353	190	Intereurope Tech	213	● +20	8.3	3.9	10.7
32	21	Israel (Jack L)	23½	..	0.7	3.0	18.2
350	283	JS Pathology	315	..	3.3	1.0	28.8
190	116	Jaques Vert	173	+3	7.9	4.6	15.3
26	2	Jebsens	5	..	..●	..	0.3
148	105	Johnson & Jorg	108	● -½	6.0	5.6	12.3
129	73	Johnsones Paints	100	● -3	6.1b	6.1	11.1
70	48	Jolt Rubber	56	-1	2.5	4.5	9.3
330	252	KLP	295	..	4.7	1.6	16.6
92	67	Kent (John)	74	-2	2.3	3.1	16.2
320	220	Kenyon Secs	320	● +5	14.9	4.7	15.5
83	53	Kewill Systems	55	+2	1.7	3.1	8.1
113	53	Klark-Teknik	53	..	1.4b	2.6	9.7
113	67	LPA Ind	75	..	3.9	5.2	7.4
68	37	Ladlaw	60	● ..	4.1	6.8	7.5
125	70	Ladlaw Thomson	108	● ..	5.6	5.2	13.0
49	32	Leisure Inv	49	..	..	..	24.4
118	100	Lewmar	105	..	3.8	3.6	12.9
154	149	Local Lon Gp	152	-1	5.0	3.3	17.1
81	73	Lodge Care	89	..	2.9	3.3	18.5
140	85	Lon & Clydeside	113	..	8.0	7.1	10.2
198	133	Lorin Elect	181	..	3.6	2.0	15.9
82	17	Lysander Pet	21	..	..	..	..
95	77	MS Cash & Carry	93	● +1	5.1	5.5	..
255	180	MMT Comp	250	..	6.8	2.8	21.0
160	101	McLaughlin & Har	120	● +7	10.0	8.3	6.9
125	45	Magnetic Materials	63	● ..	2.7	4.3	8.2
90	54	Mainmet	82	● ..	1.4	1.7	25.7
95	88	Manna Dev	88	..	..	..	..
175	92	Martin (Ronald)	160	..	4.7	2.9	21.6
35	9	Maxiprint	15	..	..	..	..
116	101	Mayfair City	116	● ..	4.3	3.7	24.4
308	195	Meadow Farm	283	-3	5.4	1.8	25.6
220	123	Media Tech	133	● +7	4.0	3.0	9.7
98	75	Mallerware	85	● ..	4.4	5.2	20.0
19	9	Memory Comp	15	-1	232	..	2.5
75	13	Menvcom Intl Hldgs	18	..	5.0	27.8	1.2
148	138	Mercer-Swan	138	● ..	3.6	2.6	14.6
380	350	Merrydown Wine	380	● -5	8.6	2.4	19.5
138	65	Metal Bulletin	115	● ..	6.3	5.5	18.2
102	71	Metsec	82	..	3.7	4.5	12.0
95	69	Michael (John)	73	..	1.7	2.3	17.7
760	390	Microfilm	613	-7	2.9	0.5	64.7
220	100	Microlease	100	..	5.7	5.7	8.2
47	22	Microvasc	34	● ..	1.8	5.3	14.9
385	231	Midsummer Inns	380	..	3.6	0.9	28.2
193	165	Millward Brown	170	..	3.6	2.1	37.0
220	130	Miss World	205	● ..	7.9	3.9	10.8
47	13	Mountco	..	..	..	..	..
158	108	Moorgate Gp	130	..	2.0	1.5	24.1
124	82	Monks & Crane	120	..	3.9	3.3	15.0
158	127	Monotype	130	+1	..	..	..
50	25	Morley (Rts)	47	..	2.1	4.5	23.4
28½	15½	Morris (William)	18½	-½	..	..	7.4
115	60	Moss Advertising	75	..	3.5	4.7	9.0
192	125	Mudakin	181	..	4.3	2.4	15.7
367	237	NMW Comp	265	+15	6.5	3.2	14.4
21	6	New Ct Nat Res	9	r ..	..	..	2.4
5½	0½	Do Wrnts	1	..	..	..	..
20	14	New England Props	16	..	..	..	7.7
95	75	Do 10%	100	..	..	12.5	..
77	75	Newage Trans	75	..	5.0	6.7	8.5
21	10	Nimslo	11	..	..	..	..
149	91	Norank	143	● ..	4.3	2.9	19.2
58	50	Norbain	50	-3	1.0	2.0	6.4
166	63	Norscot Hotels	163	+18	3.4	2.1	17.9
48	14	Nth Sea & Gen	24	+2	..	..	4.8
75	33	Oilfield Inspec	38	..	2.9e	7.6	5.7

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37	22	Optometrics	25	..	..	..	..
283	180	Osborne & Little	285	..	4.3	1.5	27.2
35½	23	Owners Abroad	34¼	..	2.1	6.1	9.7
143	85	PCT	118	● ..	4.6	3.9	18.5
255	168	Pacer Systems	170	..	..	..	..
79	53	Pacific Sales	53	● ..	4.3	8.1	11.3
155	130	Panthenelle	155	..	5.3	3.4	14.2
580	296	Parkfield Gp	450	● ..	5.1	1.1	25.5
62	10	Paul M Lais	54	..	..●	..	23.8
53	17	Pavion	16	..	..	..	3.2
165	80	Pepe Group	163	● ..	4.7	2.9	15.7
148	63	Pericom	128	..	3.5b	2.7	57.7
39	23	Perkins (J)	28	..	1.7	6.1	6.8
110	103	Personal Computer	105	..	4.3	4.1	10.7
200	135	Peters (Michael)	138	..	3.7	2.7	17.2
27	12	Petrogen	14	+2	..	..	..
34	26	Piccadilly Radio	28	● ..	2.9	10.4	13.7
116	24	Pict Pet	29	..	..	..	4.0
73	31	Pineapple	68	+2	..	..	..
50	25	Plasmec	48	..	1.0	2.1	5.9
176	115	Platon	146	..	4.4	3.0	10.8
245	80	Polytech Marine	90	..	5.4	6.0	12.8
158	76	Powerline	85	● ..	2.9	3.4	11.4
143	95	Prontaprint	95	..	3.6	3.8	10.9
6¾	2	Property Tst 10p	2005¾	..	..	..	..
6½	2	Do 8p	2008½	..	..	..	..
309	158	Questel	186	● ..	6.3	3.4	12.5
43	18	Radio City 'A'	32	..	..●	..	6.3
50	33	Radio Clyde	50	..	4.6	9.2	18.2
123	85	Radius	95	● ..	1.4	1.5	14.3
40	12	Ramco Oil	12	..	..●	..	2.8
105	88	Ramus	88	..	7.5	8.5	14.8
22	22	Randsworth	38	● -2	..	..	..
88	40	Real Time Control	60	● +4	2.9	4.8	17.3
42	15	Reliant Motor	15	..	..	..	12.8
190	70	Rivlin	148	● -2	0.1	0.1	..
87	30	Rockwood	66	-3	0.6	0.9	..
105	63	Rolfe & Nolan	101	..	2.9	2.9	43.5
139	112	SAC	118	..	2.1	1.8	20.5
128	73	Sangers Photo	85	+1	3.1	3.6	24.9
48	12	Sapphire Pet	12	-1	..	..	1.6
136	104	Savage	124	..	4.3	3.5	17.0
178	110	Scanro	113	..	5.7	5.0	9.2
195	120	Scot Heritable	148	● -½	4.6	3.1	12.9
133	71	Securiguard	128	..	3.9	3.0	28.7
28	7	SelecTV	20	+2	..	..	..
350	171	Shandwick	350	..	5.3	1.5	43.2
355	253½	Share Drug Strs	310	+5	2.9	0.9	35.4
98	68½	Sheldon Jones	93	● ..	6.6	7.1	9.6
260	168	Sherwood Comp	240	● ..	4.6	1.9	28.9
185	145	Shield	170	+2	2.9	1.7	28.3
101	50	Sigmex	69	● ..	0.8	1.3	28.0
173	128	Sims Catering	135	..	5.7	4.2	16.5
220	136	Sinclair (William)	190	-5	7.5	3.9	11.8
160	157	Smallbone	158	..	5.1	3.2	14.8
131	98	Snowdon Bridge	105	..	3.9	3.7	12.3
38	33	Soundtracks	38	..	1.7	4.5	11.3
162	113	Stirn Bus	143	..	4.3	3.0	8.2
31	11	SW Resources	12	-1	..	..	4.8
99	85	Space Planning	90	..	2.8	2.9	15.1
63	48	Spectra Auto	58	● ..	3.7	6.4	9.1
38	20	Spectrum	28	..	..●	..	3.1
99	85	Space	85	..	4.0	4.7	12.9
71	55	Splash	65	..	4.7	7.2	10.7
220	85	Stainless Metal	163	..	6.0	3.7	23.3
108	71	Sterling Pub	105	..	2.9b	2.8	23.4
38½	17½	Sunleigh Elect	25	-½	..	..	51.0
93	58	Sutherland (ET)	65	● ..	4.8	7.4	20.5
125	108	Swindon Pr Hosp	115	..	..	..	38.3
230	175	Synapse Comp	190	..	2.1	1.1	23.0
250	150	T & S Stores	240	..	4.6	1.9	28.7
200	110	TDS Circuits	163	..	2.9	1.8	7.0
134	111	TMD Advert	117	+2	2.4	2.1	21.3
120	108	Task Force	118	..	2.5	2.1	17.4
164	52	Tay Homes	153	..	6.6	4.3	23.0
146	75	Tech For Bus	75	-10	7.7	10.3	7.5
365	194	Tech Comp	315	● ..	4.6	1.5	42.6
205	115	Telecomputing	168	+5	2.1	1.3	16.1
188	81	Tel Serv Int	91	● -1	3.1	3.4	29.3
145	70	Thermax	130	● +3	7.1	5.5	13.8
272½	180	Therm Scientific	211	..	3.6	1.7	19.1
66	63	Thorpac	81	..	3.6	4.4	12.1
58	42	Tinsley (Eliza)	45	● ..	4.1	9.1	8.7
145	113	Tod (W&J)	143	..	4.7	3.3	28.7
50	32	Towngrade Sec	35	..	1.6	4.6	27.3
199	136	Trade Promotion	194	● -3	6.2	3.2	19.2
485	270	Trencherwood	485	● ..	7.8	1.8	23.2
98	60	Triton	60	..	1.6	2.7	12.8
280	140	Tyne Tees 'A'	235	● ..	19.5	8.3	6.0
76	43	Utd Ceramic	75	..	5.4	7.2	12.6
550	420	Utd Friendly	548	..	24.6	4.5	..
135	93	Utd Packaging	105	● ..	4.6	4.4	8.1
385	368	Utd Tst Credit	368	-2	20.0	6.4	..
96	81	Usher (Frank)	95	+4	6.4	6.7	11.5
100	41	Viewplan	41	● ..	1.8	4.4	17.1
108	61	Wayne Kerr	61	-2	2.3	3.8	8.8
110	75	Webber Electro	105	● ..	3.3	3.1	12.9
19	14	Welpac	15½	..	0.4	2.6	10.8
95	68	West Yorkshire	83	● ..	5.7b	6.1	12.6
191	150	Wickes	187	● ..	3.6	2.0	22.0
10	4½	Wilkins Syst	8	..	..	..	99.4
27½	16½	William (Rex) Hldgs	19	+1½	1.3	6.8	15.3
490	385	Wingate	405	..	2.6	0.7	62.3
90	48	Wold	80	..	1.1	1.3	63.8
278	151	Worcester	208	-4	7.9	3.8	21.8
220	148	Wkd of Leather	160	-1	3.5	2.3	17.2
99	63	Wyko	85	● ..	3.7	4.7	9.9
4	4	Xylyx	4	..	..	..	..
158	118	Yellowhammer	133	..	1.3	1.7	19.5
38	29	Yatverton	35	..	..	..	..
97	30	York Mount	75	..	..	..	..
68	25	York & Equity	56	-1	1.9	2.5	34.7
104½	60½	Do 8%	595	● ..	800	8.4	..
35	16	Zygal Dynamics	35	●	0.7	2.0	4.8

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117	94	Allas	111	● ..	3.6	3.2	21.7
820	653	Alliance	735	● -3	31.6	4.0	38.0
149	124	Amer Trust	125	● ..	4.4	3.5	34.8
392	286	Ang Amer Sec	360	-3	6.9	2.5	56.7
120	94	Atlantic Assets	99	● ..	0.9	0.9	75.6
128	98	Bankers	121	-2	3.8b	3.2	45.5
254	159	Berry	232	-3	1.5b	0.6	..
62½	53	Br Assets	54	● -1	3.0	5.6	30.2
53	31	Br Empire Sec	34	+1	0.7	2.1	46.6
450	364	Br Inv	445	+2	21.7	4.9	28.8
103	80	Brunner	98	..	3.3	3.4	45.6
855	780	Cont & Ind	820	..	31.4	3.8	35.5
250	139	Crescent Japan	220	+4	0.5	0.2	..
157	108	Derby Inc	152	..	12.8	8.4	18.1
143	110	Do Cap	135	..	..	..	..
384	314	Drayton Cons	338	..	14.6	4.3	33.2
190	134	Drayton Far East	161	+3	1.6	0.9	..
772	420	Drayton Japan	714	+2	1.4a	0.2	..
206	176	Dundee Lon	186	..	8.0b	4.1	34.9
117	69	Edin Amer Asset	98	-1	0.9	0.9	77.3
162	119	Edinburgh	148	-2	4.7	3.3	42.1
388	284	Electric Gen	370	..	6.4	1.7	62.0
166	136	English Int	165	..	5.5	3.3	46.1
100	75	English Scot	100	● ..	2.0	2.0	80.6
80	68	Ensign	69	-1	2.0	2.9	76.7
119	85	F & C Alliance	116	-1	2.6	2.2	61.1
217	142	F & C Pacific	205	● +5	2.1	1.0	79.2
10½	8½	First Charlotte	10¼	+¼	0.1	1.0	..
348	287	First Scot Amer	320	● ..	15.0	4.7	30.7
120	85	First Un Gen	103	..	8.7	8.4	8.7
585	480	Fleming American	500	-5	8.2	1.6	82.0
183	145	Fleming Claver	178	● -4	7.4	4.2	34.2
345	284	Fleming Enterprise	304	-1	12.9	4.2	34.1
129	84½	Fleming Far East	125	+1	1.4	1.1	..
140	109	Fleming Fledgling	134	+1	3.6	2.7	51.7
739	480	Fleming Japan	710	+3	8.7	0.8	..
185	123	Fleming Mercantile	162	● +3	5.5	3.4	42.1
161	123	Fleming Overseas	150	● +2	3.9	2.6	74.3
182	140	Fleming Tech	148	+1	3.3	2.2	96.1
142	107	Fleming Universal	136	● +1½	2.1b	1.5	87.3
102	88	For Col	95	● -2	2.4b	2.5	64.2
109	88	GBC Capital	92	-1	..	..	..
225	118	GT Japan	220	● +5	2.0	0.9	..
193	138	General Funds	192	● -1	2.9	1.5	..
390	275	General Cons	305	-1	17.9b	5.8	26.9
149	115	Glasgow Stock	138	..	3.4	2.5	56.3
125	97	Globe	111	-2	5.2	4.7	28.5
147	127	Govett Atlantic	129	+1	4.0b	3.1	40.2
232	138	Govett Oriental	207	+3	3.3	1.6	90.8
232	184	Govett Strategy	247	-1	5.1	2.1	70.2

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
379	244	Greenfriar	370	+10	2.4	8.6	..
320	215	Gresham House	285	-5	6.9	2.4	30.6
194	168	Hambros	190	+1	8.4	3.4	41.9
108	104	India Fund	108	..	..	..	..
850	640	Invest In Success	845	● -5	8.2	1.0	..
284	244	Inv Cap	255	+1	15.4	6.0	72.4
185	132	Ivory & Sime	138	..	6.8	4.9	18.9
63	45	Japan Assets	39½	+½	0.1	0.2	..
104	80	Kleinwort Charter	98	..	3.5	3.6	42.2
136	110	Kleinwort O'seas	129	● ..	3.6	2.8	..
295	237	Kleinwort Smaller	290	● ..	12.0	4.1	..
235	186	Law Debenture	232	● ..	9.0	3.9	28.1
70	56	Lon Merchant Sec	58	● ..	3.6	5.2	11.7
71	57	Lon Trust	67	● ..	1.1	1.9	62.6
128	102	Merchants	112	● -1	6.4b	5.7	28.6
30½	21¾	Merrill Lynch	£24¾	+¼	..	..	..
221	181	Monks	208	..	3.7	1.8	78.5
166	128	Murray Income	151	● -2	8.6b	5.7	27.6
169	137	Murray Intl	158	-1	7.1n	4.5	31.0
344	215	Murray Small	330	..	3.9	1.2	..
405	318	Murray Venture	405	● ..	14.3b	3.5	48.1
440	390	New Court	416	..	21.3	5.1	28.6
68	49	New Darien Oil	56	+4	0.9e	1.6	61.5
212	158	928	202	● -1	5.7	2.8	39.3
64	50½	Nethrog Inc 83	63	..	4.8	7.6	17.8
271	185	New Tokyo	241	-1	1.1e	0.5	..
364	278	Nth Atlantic Sec	353	..	4.9	1.4	98.3
61	20	Nth Sea Assets	30	+1	0.7	2.3	34.9
406	279	Nthn Amer	375	-3	7.7b	2.1	66.6
210	145	Outwich	201	..	4.9	2.4	51.7
84	65	Pacific Assets	84	..	1.0	1.2	..
38	26	Do Wrnts	29	+1	..	..	..
42	35	Personal Assets	35	..	0.5	1.4	92.1
427	338	Raeburn	415	..	17.1	4.1	42.1
171	147	River & Merc	162	● ..	8.6b	5.3	28.6
268	216	River Plate	265	..	12.4	4.7	30.7
279	207	Robeco	277	..	..	..	..
251	181	Rolinco	248	..	..	..	..
378	267	Romney	365	..	7.1	1.9	55.9
15¾	11½	Rorento	£15¼	..	..	..	..
148	116	St Andrews	148	● +2	4.6b	3.2	48.7
385	297	Scottish	375	-3	8.9	2.4	64.7
83	68	Scot American	78	..	2.6b	3.3	67.6
127	89	Scot Eastern	116	● -1	2.9	2.5	60.7
420	364½	Scot Merc 'A'	408	● +7	32.1	7.9	15.8
558	402	Scot Mtge	518	..	12.1	2.3	55.9
318	245	Scot Nat	295	-1	7.2	2.4	65.2
711	570	Second Alliance	676	● -2	26.4	3.9	33.3
92	86	Secs Tst Of Scotland	88	..	3.9	4.4	32.4

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
82	67	Smaller Cos	78	..	2.0	2.8	54.5
101	81	TR Australia	92	..	3.3	3.6	32.4
122	95	TR City Of Lon Dfd	108	-1	6.3b	5.9	24.9
213	155	TR Ind & Gen	204	-2	5.7	2.8	44.1
139	100½	TR Natural Res	139	+4	5.9	4.2	28.8
101	83	TR North America	93	..	2.6	2.8	47.2
187	118	TR Pacific Basin	173	+5	1.4	0.8	..
188	140	TR Property	174	..	5.7	3.3	38.6
118	90½	TR Tech	93	-2	2.6	2.8	46.7
180	139	TR Trustees	167	..	6.0	3.6	37.1
180	135	Temple Bar	142	● -4	8.1b	5.7	24.8
305	237	Throgmorton	279	-3	11.9b	4.3	33.4
370	300	Throg Secured Cap	345	-5	..	..	..
214	157½	Trans Oceanic	205	..	5.5	2.7	51.4
146	112	Tribune	140	..	4.0	2.9	40.1
95	78	Triplevest Inc	93½	-1½	15.8	16.9	8.4
302	217	US Debenture	281	● -4	9.3	3.3	56.3
51	35	Value Inc Tst	42	..	..	..	..
62	33	Viking Resources	38½	+½	2.8b	7.5	19.0
74	53	Westpool	65	● ..	2.3	3.5	38.2
109	80½	Wiean	97	-2	2.3	2.4	55.1
358	286	Yeoman	340	..	15.1b	4.4	35.1

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
47¾	34½	American Express	£39¾	-½	..	..	..
71	31	Argyle	65	..	1.4	2.1	35.3
48	21	Boustead	28	..	..●	..	70.3
154	116	Britannia Arrow	137	● -1	6.9	5.0	16.0
24	13½	Daily Mail	£22	..	70.0	3.2	15.5
20¼	12½	Do 'A'	£18½	-½	70.0	3.8	13.1
156	131	Electra	141	..	5.9	4.2	32.6
178	90	Eng Trust	173	● ..	4.3	2.5	19.0
247	187	Exco	218	● -2½	7.1	3.3	14.0
109	88	Exploration	100	● ..	3.3	3.3	13.1
788	375	Framlington	743	● -25	12.9	1.7	19.4
84	77	Frost Gp	90	● -1	7.1	7.9	8.7
206	183	GT Management	183	-2	..	..	13.8
151	75	Goode (D & M)	140	+2	2.5	1.8	39.2
985	490	Henderson Admin	905	..	17.9	2.0	17.9
218	153	ICH	161	..	12.9b	8.0	6.8
440	320	MAI	365	● -1½	25.0	6.8	7.6
298	190	M & G	298	+16	6.1	2.0	36.2
362	252	Mercantile House	254	..	20.0	7.9	4.8
127	76	Pacific Inv Tst	118	..	0.5	0.4	..
28¾	18	Do Warrants	23½	-½	..	..	..
205	152	Smith New Court	162	..	10.0	6.2	8.0

COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
G W Joynson and Co report

SUGAR (From C. Czarnikow)
FOB
Oct 103.4-04.0
Dec 121.0-22.0
March 134.4-34.8
May 139.6-39.8
Aug 145.0-46.0
Oct 149.2-49.8
Vol 3465

COCOA
Sept 1489-85
Dec 1523-22
March 1565-64
May 1590-89
July 1610-06
Sept 1627-25
Dec 1647-47
Vol 2125

COFFEE
Sept 2420-410
Nov 2437-435
Jan 2380-375
March 2315-310
May 2315-305
July 2310-300
Sept 2320-300
Vol 4795

SOYABEAN
Oct 136.5-35.5
Dec 134.9-34.8
Feb 135.5-35.0
April 137.0-36.2
June 135.5-35.0
Aug 134.0-33.8
Oct 136.0-33.0
Vol 211

INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM EXCHANGE

GAS OIL
Oct 118.75-18.50
Nov 125.25-25.00
Dec 130.25-30.00
Jan 133.25-33.00
Feb 134.50-33.50
March 125.25-25.00
April 128.00-18.00
May 125.00-18.00
June 125.00-10.00
Vol 1382

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices
Official Turnover figures
Price in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolf & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER GRADE A
Cash 943.0-944.0
Three Months 965.0-966.5
Vol 2000
Tone Steady

STANDARD CATHODES
Cash 921.0-923.0
Three Months 945.0-946.0
Vol Nil
Tone Idle

LEAD
Cash 277.5-278.0
Three Months 282.0-282.5
Vol 950
Tone Steady/Quiet

ZINC STANDARD
Cash 580.0-590.0
Vol Nil
Tone Idle

ZINC HIGH GRADE
Cash 614.5-615.5
Three Months 615.5-616.5
Vol 3150
Tone Steadier

SILVER LARGE
Cash 390.0-392.0
Three Months 400.0-402.0
Vol 15
Tone Quiet

SILVER SMALL
Cash 390.0-392.0
Three Months 400.0-402.0
Vol Nil
Tone Idle

ALUMINIUM
Cash 833.0-834.0
Three Months 814.0-815.0
Vol 5800
Tone Steady

NICKEL
Cash 2600-2605
Three Months 2650-2655
Vol 24
Tone Quiet

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on September 29
GB: Cattle, 91.54p per kg lw (-0.62)
GB: Sheep 116.69p per kg* (-6.02)
GB: Pigs, 79.40p per kg lw (-0.49)
* est. dead carcase weight
England and Wales:
Cattle nos. down 19.9 %, ave. price, 91.33p(-0.80)
Sheep nos. n/a %, ave. price, 119.22p(-9.99)
Pig nos. up 4.9 %, ave. price. 79.41p(-0.49)
Scotland:
Cattle nos. down 15.3 %, ave price, 92.98p(+0.65)
Sheep nos. down 23.5 %, ave. price, 116.27p(-6.24)
Pig nos. up 5.0 %, ave. price, 78.32p(+0.46)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Pig Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Oct	Unq.	103.50
Nov	Unq.	104.50
Feb	Unq.	98.00
April	Unq.	99.00
June	Unq.	98.00

Vol: 0
Pig Meat vol: 10

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Live Cattle Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Oct	Unq	95.50
Nov	Unq.	99.30
Feb	Unq.	98.50
April	Unq.	98.50
June	Unq.	99.50

Vol: 0

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Nov	108.75	109.35
Jan	110.70	111.40
March	112.75	119.50
May	114.70	114.60
July	117.25	—

Volume:
Wheat 107
Barley 148

LONDON POTATO FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	108.00	108.60
Feb	120.00	120.00
April	173.00	168.50
May	188.30	184.50
Nov	85.00	90.00

Vol: 1355

BIFFEX
G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report $10 per index point freight index

	High/Low	Close
Oct 86	830.0-823.0	826.5
Jan 87	828.0-825.0	825.5
Apr 87	865.0-860.0	862.5
Jul 87	770.0-766.0	772.0
Oct 87	885.0-885.0	883.5
Jan 88	910.0-910.0	910.0
Apr 88	975.0-975.0	965.0
Jul 88	870.0-870.0	870.0

Vol: 260 lots
Open interest: 2551

TANKER REPORT

	High/Low	C[lose]
Sep 86	920.0-920.0	
Oct 86	—	
Nov 86	—	
Dec 86	—	
Mar 87	—	
Jun 87	—	

Vol: 9 lots
Open interest 33
Spot market comme[...]
Tanker index: 949.5 down 5.5 on [...]
Dry cargo index: 800.0 up 7.5 on [...]

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Portfolio —Gold—

From your portfolio card check your eight share price movements. Add them up to give you your overall total. Check this against the daily dividend figure published on this page. If it matches you have won outright or a share of the total daily prize money stated. If you are a winner follow the claim procedure on the back of your card. You must always have your card available when claiming.

No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	BBA	Industrials A-D	
2	County 'B'	Property	
3	Bentalls	Drapery,Stores	
4	Belhaven	Breweries	
5	Boots	Industrials A-D	
6	Cement-Roadstone	Building,Roads	
7	Independent	Newspapers,Pub	
8	Appleyard	Motors,Aircraft	
9	Burmah	Oil	
10	Extel	Industrials E-K	
11	Utd Scientific	Electricals	
12	AAH	Industrials A-D	
13	Whitbread Inv	Breweries	
14	STC	Electricals	
15	Pittard	Shoes,Leather	
16	Evode	Chemicals,Plas	
17	Reed Executive	Industrials L-R	
18	Etam	Drapery,Stores	
19	Travis & Arnold	Building,Roads	
20	Beale (John)	Textiles	
21	Neill (J)	Industrials L-R	
22	Empire Stores	Drapery,Stores	
23	Newbold & Burton	Shoes,Leather	
24	Beauford	Industrials A-D	
25	Coalite	Chemicals,Plas	
26	Royl Bnk Of Scot	Banks,Discount	
27	Expamet	Industrials E-K	
28	Dawson	Textiles	
29	Glynwed	Industrials E-K	
30	Telephone Rentals	Electricals	
31	Waddington (J)	Paper,Print,Adv	
32	BOC	Industrials A-D	
33	Ansbacher (Henry)	Banks,Discount	
34	French (Thomas)	Industrials E-K	
35	Lon & Edin Tst	Property	
36	Bradford	Property	
37	Nthn Foods	Foods	
38	Allied Irish	Banks,Discount	
39	Hall (M)	Industrials E-K	
40	Bassett Foods	Foods	
41	Hillsdown Hldgs	Foods	
42	Sekers	Textiles	
43	System Designers	Electricals	
44	Marks & Spencer	Drapery,Stores	
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Please be sure to take account of any minus signs

Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £24,000 in Saturday's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Account opens with sharp fall

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began yesterday. Dealings end October 10. §Contango day October 13. Settlement day October 20. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

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DAILY DIVIDEND £4,000

Claims required for -22 points

Claimants should ring 0254-53272

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (Under Five Years)

1986 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
9999	94¼	Exch 2½% 1986	9999	..	2.5	9.100
102¼	93¾	Exch 14% 1986	100½	● ..	14.0	..
103	95½	Exch 13¼% 1987	100¼	-¼	13.2	11.740
100¼	93⅛	Treas C10½% 1987	98⅛	-¼	10.3	11.577
97⅛	92⅛	Exch 2½% 1987	97⅛	-⅛	2.5	9.211
101½	95⅛	Exch 10½% 1987	98⅛	●-⅛	10.6	11.706
96⅛	93⅜	Fund 6½% 1985-87	97⅛	●-¼	6.6	10.703
101¼	95⅝	Treas 10% 1987	99	-¼	10.1	11.382
97½	90⅞	Treas 3% 1987	95⅝	-⅛	3.1	9.220
104½	97¼	Treas 12% 1987	100¼	●+5¼	12.0	11.654
99⅝	92⅝	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	96⅛	-⅛	8.1	10.768
104⅛	96½	Exch 10½% 1988	98⅝	-⅛	10.7	11.599
102¼	94¼	Treas C9½% 1988	97¼	-⅛	10.0	11.471
94¼	86⅞	Treas 3% 1978-88	90¼	-⅛	3.3	9.133
102⅞	92¾	Treas 9½% 1988	96⅛	●-⅛	9.9	11.500
107⅛	93½	Treas 11½% 1989	99⅛	-⅛	11.5	11.667
105⅛	95⅛	Treas 10½% 1989	97⅛	-⅛	10.8	11.633
104½	93½	Exch 10% 1989	95⅞	-1	10.4	11.599
111⅛	94⅛	Exch 10½% 1989	99⅛	-1½	10.3	10.604
107½	94	Exch 11% 1989	98⅛	●-1	11.2	11.573
93¼	84½	Treas 5% 1986-89	88	●-¼	5.7	9.069
103¼	92⅞	Treas C9½% 1989	95⅛	●-1½	10.0	11.652
92	82⅜	Treas 3% 1989	86½	-1	3.5	8.724
114¼	103¼	Treas 13% 1990	103⅛	-1¼	12.5	11.577
86¼	78⅞	Exch 2½% 1990	79¼	-1	3.2	8.581
108¼	94¼	Exch 11% 1990	98¼	-1⅛	11.2	11.561
113¼	100	Exch 12½% 1990	102⅛	-1½	12.2	11.525
89⅛	79⅛	Treas 3% 1990	82½	-1	3.8	8.646
100⅛	89¼	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	92⅛	-1	8.9	10.501
105¼	92¼	Treas 10% 1990	94⅛	●-1¼	10.5	11.617
112¼	99	Treas 11¾% 1991	100⅛	-1½	11.7	11.491
94¼	84½	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	87	●-1½	6.6	9.326
110⅛	97⅛	Exch 11% 1991	98⅛	●-1⅛	11.2	11.505
86⅛	79	Treas 3% 1991	79	-1½	3.8	—

FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

1986 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
118⅜	103	Treas 12¾% 1992	104⅜	-1⅛	12.2	11.506
107⅜	91¼	Treas 10% 1992	94¼	-1½	10.6	11.442
109⅛	95½	Treas C10½% 1992	98	-1½	10.9	11.466
117½	100⅛	Exch 12¼% 1992	102½	-1¼	11.9	11.470
122½	102½	Exch 13½% 1992	108⅜	-1¾	12.5	11.550
108	93⅞	Treas 10% 1993	94	-1½	10.6	11.315
121⅛	103⅜	Treas 12½% 1993	105	-1½	11.9	11.412
91⅛	79¼	Fund 6% 1993	83½	-1½	7.2	9.242
128	110⅜	Treas 13¾% 1993	110⅜	-2¼	12.5	11.607
133⅜	105⅛	Treas 14½% 1994	115½	-2⅛	12.6	11.382
122¼	97⅜	Exch 12½% 1994	104	-2⅛	11.9	11.508
127¼	109⅛	Exch 13½% 1994	109⅛	●-2⅛	12.3	11.588
103⅜	88¼	Treas 9% 1994	89½	-1⅛	10.1	11.050
120	100⅛	Treas 12% 1995	102½	-2⅛	11.7	11.543
79⅜	66⅛	Gas 3% 1990-95	73¼	●-1½	4.1	7.337
110⅜	91⅛	Exch 10¼% 1995	94⅞	-1⅞	10.9	11.362
126	107½	Treas 12¾% 1995	107½	-2⅛	11.9	11.434
133⅜	112½	Treas 14% 1996	114⅜	-2⅛	12.2	11.514
103¼	87	Treas 9% 1992-96	88	-2	10.1	10.874
142⅜	121⅛	Treas 15¼% 1996	121⅛	●+5¼	12.6	11.739
130½	110⅜	Exch 13¼% 1996	110⅜	-2⅛	12.0	11.438
84¼	74½	Rdmpt 3% 1986-96	78⅛	●-1⅛	3.8	..
106¼	92⅜	Conv 10% 1996	92⅜	-2⅛	10.6	11.293
131	110	Treas 13¼% 1997	111⅛	-2⅛	11.9	11.374
112⅞	93½	Exch 10½% 1997	96	-1⅛	10.9	11.255
101⅞	79⅛	Treas 8¾% 1997	86	-2⅛	10.2	10.935
142½	118½	Exch 15% 1997	122	●-2⅛	12.3	11.503
88½	73⅞	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	74⅛	●+1⅛	9.1	10.591
107⅛	89½	Exch 9¾% 1998	91⅛	-2⅛	10.7	11.138
148⅛	126⅛	Treas 15½% 1998	126⅛	●-2⅛	12.2	11.427
124¼	105	Exch 12% 1998	105	-2⅛	11.4	11.242
107⅛	88⅛	Treas 9½% 1999	90⅛	-2⅛	10.5	10.811
126½	103⅛	Exch 12¼% 1999	107⅛	-2⅛	11.4	11.211
114	96⅛	Treas 10½% 1999	96⅛	-1⅛	10.8	10.996
112½	94½	Conv 10¼% 1999	95	-2⅛	10.8	11.023
133½	111⅛	Treas 13% 2000	112⅛	-2⅛	11.5	11.210
98	87¼	Conv 9% 2000	87¼	-2⅛	..	10.797
111½	91⅛	Treas 10% 2001	93⅛	-2⅛	10.7	10.914
109⅛	89⅛	Conv 9¾% 2001	92	-2⅛	10.6	10.878
137½	117	Treas 14% 1998-01	117	-2⅛	12.0	11.381

OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

1986 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
111⅞	94⅛	Conv 10% 2002	94⅛	●-2⅛	10.6	10.826
124¼	103⅛	Exch 12% 1999-02	105¼	-2⅛	11.4	11.246
109⅛	90	Treas 9¾% 2002	92⅛	-2⅛	10.6	10.829
112½	93¼	Treas 10% 2003	94½	-2⅛	10.6	10.743
138⅛	116⅛	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	117⅞	-2⅛	11.7	11.238
123½	103⅛	Treas 11½% 2001-04	103⅛	-2⅛	11.1	10.999
112⅛	94⅛	Treas 10% 2004	94⅛	-2⅛	10.6	10.730
60½	48⅛	Fund 3½% 1999-04	49⅛	-1⅛	7.0	9.348
108⅛	90⅛	Conv 9½% 2004	90⅛	●-2⅛	10.5	10.701
108⅛	90⅛	Conv 9½% 2005	89⅛	●-2⅛	10.5	10.767
117⅛	84⅛	Exch 10½% 2005	99⅛	-2⅛	10.6	10.839
134¼	112⅛	Treas 12½% 2003-05	112⅛	-2⅛	11.1	10.844
95⅛	79⅛	Treas 8% 2002-06	79⅛	●-2⅛	10.1	10.466
107½	93	Conv 9½% 2006	93	-2⅛	10.5	10.638
127⅛	104¼	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	109½	-2⅛	11.0	10.840
94⅛	83⅛	Treas 8½% 2007	83⅛	-2⅛	10.2	10.456
143⅛	115⅛	Treas 13½% 2004-08	121⅛	-2⅛	11.1	10.829
95½	79	Treas 8% 2009	79	-2⅛	10.1	10.352
72½	57½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	58⅛	-1½	9.4	10.076
93⅛	76⅛	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	77	-2⅛	10.1	10.266
136	113½	Exch 12% 2013-17	114½	-2⅛	10.5	10.435

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1986 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
46⅝	38⅛	Consols 4%	39⅛	-⅛	10.2	..
42	34⅛	War Ln 3½%	34⅛	-⅛	10.2	..
52⅛	44⅛	Conv 3½%	46½	●-½	7.5	..
34⅛	29⅛	Treas 3%	29⅛	●-⅛	10.3	..
29⅛	24⅛	Consols 2½%	24⅛	●-⅛	10.3	..
29⅛	24⅛	Treas 2½%	24⅛	●-⅛	10.4	..

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1986 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
123	114¼	Treas IL 2% 1988	118⅛	●-⅛	2.1	3.761
107⅛	98½	Treas IL 2% 1990	104⅛	-⅛	2.2	3.453
122	108⅛	Treas IL 2% 1996	116⅛	-⅛	2.5	3.820
107⅛	95¼	Treas IL2½% 2001	99⅛	-⅛	3.1	3.896
107½	93⅛	Treas IL2½% 2003	98½	-⅛	3.1	3.861
110½	96⅛	Treas IL 2% 2006	101¼	-⅛	2.8	3.720
106½	92⅛	Treas IL2½% 2009	97	-1½	3.2	3.568
111½	97	Treas IL2½% 2011	102⅛	-1	3.2	3.574
94⅛	79¼	Treas IL2½% 2013	85½	-1⅛	3.2	3.552
102⅛	87⅛	Treas IL2½% 2016	93¼	-1½	3.2	3.477
99⅛	83⅛	Treas IL2½% 2016 A	93½	-1½	2.7	3.472
100½	86½	Treas IL2½% 2020	91½	●-1½	3.2	3.413

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SHOES AND LEATHER

TEXTILES

TOBACCOS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
468	308	BAT	443	●-3	18.4	4.2	11.6
180	108	Carroll	111	..	..	..	..
180	108	Carroll	111	..	..	..	..
167	127	Rothmans 'B'	141	●-2	9.6	6.8	5.0

● Ex dividend a Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment k Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data.

WALL STREET

	Sep 26	Sep 25
AMR	55½	56⅝
ASA	38¼	39
Allied Signal	40¾	40½
Allied Strs	60⅞	61⅞
Allis Chlmrs	2⅜	2½
Alcoa	36⅜	36¾
Amax Inc	14¼	14⅜
Am'rda Hs	21½	20½
Am Brands	41⅝	82⅝
Am Can	81	81
Am Cynm'd	76	77⅝
Am El Pwr	27¼	27⅜
Am Express	55⅝	56⅜
Am Home	73⅞	73⅞
Am Motors	3	2⅞
Am St'nrd	38⅝	38⅜
Am Teleph	23	23
Amoco	63¼	63⅛
Armco Steel	7	6⅞
Asarco	14½	14⅝
Ashland Oil	60½	60⅝
At Richfield	57	56½
Avon Prods	33¼	33⅝
Bkrs Tst NY	43	44⅜
Bankamer	11	10⅞
Bk of Bston	38⅝	39
Bank of NY	58⅝	58⅝
Beth Steel	7⅝	7⅝
Boeing	53½	53⅝
Bse Cascde	57⅝	56⅜
Brden	43⅝	42¾
Bg Warner	34⅝	36⅜
Brist Myers	72	72⅜
BP	38⅝	38⅝
Burl'ton Ind	35⅝	35
Burl'ton Nth	56½	54⅝
Burroughs	69	69⅝
Cmpbell Sp	54⅝	54⅜
Can Pacific	11	11⅛
Caterpiller	38⅜	39⅝
Celanese	206	205
Central SW	33⅞	33½
Champion	26⅝	25
Chase Man	36⅝	36⅝
Chm Bk NY	44⅜	44⅝
Chevron	43⅝	42½
Chrysler	36⅜	37⅜
Citicorp	50½	50⅝
Clark Equip	19	19⅝
Coca Cola	34	33⅝
Colgate	36⅝	36⅜
CBS	125½	124½
C'mbia Gas	41⅜	42⅝
Cmb'tn Eng	31⅝	32
Comwlth Ed	32⅝	32
Cons Edis	44⅝	44⅜
Cn Nat Gas	31½	30⅝
Cons Power	13¼	13½
Cntrl Data	26⅝	25¼
Corning Gl	47⅝	47⅝
CPC Intl	60	59⅜
Crane	27⅝	27⅝
Crn Zeller	49⅜	50
Dart & Kraft	55⅝	54⅜
Deere	23½	23¼
Delta Air	43⅜	43⅝
Detroit Ed	16⅝	16⅜
Digital Eq	89⅝	92⅝
Disney	39¼	38⅝
Dow Chem	52⅝	53⅝
Dresser Ind	17½	18
Duke Power	44⅝	44⅝
Du Pont	79⅜	78⅜
Eastern Air	9	9
Estm Kodak	54⅜	54
Eaton Corp	70	69
Emerson El	80⅝	79⅜
Exxon Corp	65⅜	65⅝
Fed Dpt Sts	83⅜	82⅝

	Sep 26	Sep 25
Firestone	24½	24⅜
Fst Chicago	27⅞	27⅝
Fst Int Bncp	57¼	57⅝
Fst Penn C	9⅝	9⅝
Ford	50⅝	51⅞
FT Wachva	38⅝	38⅝
GAF Corp	33⅜	33⅜
GTE Corp	53⅝	53⅜
Gen Corp	78⅝	77
Gen Dy'mcs	72⅝	71½
Gen Electric	72⅜	72⅜
Gen Inst	19⅝	19⅝
Gen Mills	80	78⅝
Gen Motors	68⅝	68⅜
Gn Pb Ut ny	23	22⅝
Genesco	3⅝	3⅜
Georgia Pac	34⅜	34⅝
Gillete	37⅝	37⅝
Goodrich	38⅜	38⅜
Goodyear	32½	32⅝
Gould Inc	18⅝	17⅜
Grace	46	46⅜
Gt Att & Tac	21⅞	22
Gr'hnd	32	31⅞
Gruman Cor	24⅜	24⅝
Gulf & West	61⅞	60⅝
Heinz H.J.	39⅝	39⅝
Hercules	51⅝	51⅜
H'lett-Pkrd	37⅜	38½
Honeywell	72½	70
IC Inds	23⅝	24½
Ingersoll	53⅝	53⅜
Inland Steel	18⅜	18⅝
IBM	135⅝	135⅝
INCO	13⅜	13⅜
Int Paper	70⅝	70½
Int Tel Tel	48	48⅝
Irving Bank	47¼	47⅝
Jhnsn & Jhn	62⅝	62⅝
Kaiser Alum	17⅜	17⅝
Kerr McGee	27⅝	28
Kmb'ly Clrk	79⅝	78¼
K Mart	46⅜	46⅜
Kroger	63⅝	63
L.T.V. Corp	2⅜	2⅝
Litton	74	74⅝
Lockheed	45⅝	46½
Lucky Strs	35⅜	35⅝
Man H'nver	44½	44⅜
Manville Cp	2⅝	2⅝
Mapco	49⅜	49
Marine Mid	45⅜	45⅜
Mrt Marietta	44⅜	43⅜
Masco	24⅝	24⅝
McDonalds	57⅜	58⅝
McDonnell	84⅜	85
Mead	55	54⅝
Merck	99⅝	99½
Minsta Mng	102⅜	102⅜
Mobil Oil	36⅝	35⅜
Monsanto	69⅝	68⅜
Morgan J.P.	83	83
Motorola	37⅝	38⅜
NCR Corp	46⅜	46⅝
NL Indstrs	4⅜	4⅜
Nat Distrs	40⅝	40⅝
Nat Med Ent	24⅜	24
Nat Smcndt	8⅝	8⅝
Norfolk Sth	79⅝	78⅜
NW Bancrp	36⅝	36⅝
Occdnt Pet	28	27⅜
Ogden	40⅝	40⅝
Olin Corp	40⅜	40⅝
Owens-Ill	41½	41⅝
Pac Gas El	24⅜	24⅜
Pan Am	5½	5⅝
Penney J.C.	70⅝	71⅜
Pennzoil	61⅝	63
Pepsico	26⅝	27⅜

	Sep 26	Sep 25
Pfizer	58⅜	58⅝
Phelps Dge	21½	21⅜
Philip Mrs	66⅜	65⅜
Phillips Pet	10	10
Polaroid	61⅜	62⅜
PPG Ind	66⅜	67
Prctr Gmbl	68⅝	68⅝
Pb S E & G	40⅜	40⅝
Raytheon	61⅜	61⅜
Rynlds Met	45⅜	45⅝
Rockwell Int	38⅝	38⅝
Royal Dutch	87½	87⅝
Safeways	60	60⅝
Sara Lee	59⅝	60
SFE Sopac	28⅝	28
Schl'berger	33⅜	31⅜
Scott Paper	60⅝	60⅝
Seagram	59⅜	59⅝
Sears Rbck	40⅜	39⅝
Shell Trans	52⅝	53⅝
Singer	54⅜	52⅜
Smthkln Bk	81⅜	82⅜
Sony	20⅝	20⅝
Sth Cal Ed	33⅜	33⅝
Sperry Corp	n/a	n/a
Std Oil Ohio	45⅝	44⅝
Sterling Drg	43	42⅝
Stevens JP	36⅝	35⅝
Sun Comp	52	51½
Teledyne	317⅝	315⅝
Tenneco	41⅝	40⅝
Texaco	33⅝	33⅜
Texas E Cor	30⅝	28⅜
Texas Inst	112⅝	113½
Texas Utils	32⅝	32⅜
Textron	54⅝	54⅜
Travlrs Cor	43⅜	43⅜
TRW Inc	91⅜	92
UAL Inc	56⅜	57⅜
Unilever NV	208⅜	209⅜
Un Carbide	20⅝	21
Un Pac Cor	56⅜	56⅝
Utd Brands	32⅜	31⅜
USG Corp	42⅜	43⅜
Utd Technol	42⅜	43
USX Corp	23⅝	23½
Unocal	21⅝	21⅜
Jim Walter	44⅝	45⅜
Wrner Lmbt	54⅜	54⅜
Wells Fargo	98⅝	99⅝
W'stghse El	52⅝	52⅝
Weyerh'ser	35	34⅝
Whirlpool	60½	61⅜
Woolworth	39⅝	38⅝
Xerox Corp	52⅝	53⅜
Zenith	20⅜	20⅜

CANADIAN PRICES

Abitibi	24	24½
Alcn Alum	43⅜	43⅝
Algoma Stl	13⅜	13⅝
Can Pacific	15⅝	15½
Cominco	13⅜	13⅝
Con Bathrst	24⅜	24⅜
Hkr/Sid Can	26⅝	27⅝
Hdsn B Mln	26⅝	26⅜
Imasco	30½	30⅝
Imperial Oil	46⅜	46⅝
In Pipe	41⅜	41⅜
Ryl Trustco	30	30
Seagram	83	82⅝
Steel Co	22½	21⅜
Thmsn N 'A'	27⅝	27⅝
Varity Corp	2.66	2.65
Wlkr Hiram	37⅜	37⅜
WCT	13	13⅜

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Shop rents show top returns

By Judith Huntley

Retail property rents in Britain's market towns are outperforming the rest of the sector and outstripped inflation by 13 per cent this year, according to a new research index produced by Hillier Parker, the surveyors.

Market town shop rents have grown more than the firm's shop rent index for the last four years, confirming its view and that of investing institutions that such retail property is a highly performing investment.

The shop rent index rose by 40 per cent, compared with 58 per cent for the market town index in the last four years.

Orders hard to obtain, says Adwest chairman

By Lawrence Lever

A severe cutback in production and staffing at one of its motor subsidiaries has forced the Adwest Group to make an extraordinary provision of £2.7 million before tax in its full-year results to June 30.

Mr Frank Waller, chairman of the engineering, motor, defence and property development group, said yesterday that it had been "a difficult year" for Adwest. "We've had our problems — who hasn't these days?"

Profits before tax for the year were £10 million against £8.7 million the previous year.

However, the increase is before charging the costs of closing a substantial part of Adwest's subsidiary, Burman and Sons, at which 400 of the 600 workforce have been made redundant after a 50 per cent fall in demand for the company's steering gear and lubricating pumps.

The extraordinary charge is reduced from £2.7 million to £1.7 million after tax. But a further charge of about £550,000 will come through to next year's figures, reflecting the costs of redundancies just before the end of the company's financial year.

Burman made a trading loss of £500,000. Its problems stem from a fall in demand and consequential overstocking in the tractor industry, and a decline in steering gear supplies to Iran.

Adwest's profits from its defence companies — purchased from Oceonics for £13 million in January — were £1.1 million. Profits from the engineering division declined from £1.5 million to £1.1 million.

Mr Waller, in his chairman's statement, says that orders "continue to be difficult to obtain."

He is optimistic on prospects for the company's property division, where profits rose from £1.7 million to almost £2.1 million. Indications from the Reading shopping centre, which the company will complete in February, are that demand from lessees will be high.

Adwest is paying a final dividend of 6.83p a share (6.15p), bringing the total to 8.53p (7.75p).

Profits up at Frank Usher

By Alison Eadie

Pretax profits at Frank Usher, designer of special occasion wear, jumped 55 per cent to £694,000 in the six months to July 31, on sales 39 per cent up at £4.8 million.

The figures are the first to be released since the company came to the unlisted securities market in May, after a management buy-out from Mrs Jennifer d'Abo's Selincourt.

The order book for the 1987 spring-summer collection is ahead of the previous year. New areas like the Dusk label for the younger and less expensive market and ranges for the larger woman have both made promising starts.

Overseas sales have also increased.

The company is considering making a greater push into the United States market and taking shop-within-shop premises rather than selling directly to department stores. As predicted at the time of the USM placing, the interim dividend is 1.5p net.

Kwik-Fit interim profits up 56%

Kwik-Fit, Europe's largest independent tyres and exhausts retailer, yesterday announced pretax profits up 56 per cent — a new half-year record. The news was accompanied by a free shares hand-out and dividend boost.

Mr Thomas Farmer, the Scottish millionaire who has built Kwik-Fit into a group with a chain of 325 service centres in the UK and Holland, announced pretax profits of £5.32 million compared with £3.43 million in the opening half of last year.

He said sales of all the group's products had been "substantially up"; market shares for tyres and exhausts had increased significantly and group borrowings had been reduced by £8 million to less than £7 million.

Mr Farmer was confident the full-year results would show continued good progress.

The group is celebrating the half-year figures with a dividend increase from 1p to 1.25p per share and shareholders receive a shares hand-out on the basis of one new one for every four already held.

Kwik-Fit's shares gained 6p to 126p yesterday.

Dominion in $27m US computer group buy

By Lawrence Lever

Dominion International, the financial services, natural resources and property holding company, yesterday announced the purchase of Transnational, a privately owned United States computer leasing group, for a maximum consideration of $27 million (£18.2 million).

Mr Max Lewinsohn, Dominion's chairman, described the move as indicative of its increasing focus on financial services.

Dominion is paying an initial $12 million for Transnational, which made profits before tax and drawings of $4 million in 1985.

Transnational, which focuses on financing peripheral computer equipment for big corporate clients, had net tangible assets of $9.6 million at the end of last year before taxation provisions.

Dominion, which made pretax profits of £11 million last year, is paying $10 million in cash and the remainder in shares. Transnational will buy the shares at 125p or the market price if higher. Dominion's share price rose 3p to 110p on the announcement.

Up to a further $15 million will be paid depending on Transnational's profits over the next three and a half years. Payment of the maximum amount could involve the issue of 6.5 million Dominion shares, increasing its share capital by 12½ per cent.

$6m purchase

Wiener Enterprises, 44.3 per cent owned by Ward White Group, has agreed to purchase the outstanding common stock of the privately-owned Builderama for $6 million cash (£4.16 million).

Smurfit clinches £800m deal

By John Bell, City Editor

Jefferson Smurfit, the paper and packaging group, is completing the £800 million purchase of Container Corporation of America today, making it one of the top 10 paper companies in the world.

The purchase is a complex one, involving a jointly-owned company with Morgan Stanley, the American investment house. Initially Container Corporation will be treated as an associate company, but with last reported sales of $1.7 billion (£1.2 billion), the impact on the Smurfit group will be sizeable.

Group half-time profits released yesterday were overshadowed by the near completion of the US deal.

The inclusion of an exceptional credit of Ir£4.375 million helped to lift pretax profits to Ir£24.122 million compared with Ir£20.32 million last time.

Earnings per share were 6p compared with 5.5p. Mr Robert Holmes, Smurfit's head of finance, pointed out that the 34 per cent fall of the dollar against the Irish Punt has badly affected results from the US operations, which account for 78 per cent of group sales.

The group remains confident about the outlook for the second half of the year, especially in the US where prices are firming. Record levels of sales and profits are forecast for the full year.

TEMPUS

Strong recovery in UK boosts Rugby Portland

They were obviously out in their shirt sleeves at Rugby Portland Cement in the first half of the year, busily making money. The interim statement was unusual for failing to mention the bad weather. However, with British cement and lime trading profits up from £1.8 million to £6.6 million, it might have been churlish to look for excuses as to why profits were not higher still.

Rugby's southern bias protected it from the worst of the weather, but the absence of adverse factors such as the miners' strike, together with a lower cost base provided the main boost to profits. Market share has recovered. Rugby should sell 2.4 million tonnes of cement this year, compared with 2.3 million tonnes last year.

As yet, sales of imported Greek cement are negligible but domestic price rises have again gone into abeyance. Margins could suffer if it became necessary to adjust regional prices to meet the challenge.

Although Rugby's British cement business is now more stable and should be able to hold its own in the presence of importers, prospects for the industry are at best unexciting. The growth potential of the group is coming from the timber products business, John Carr.

Carr made interim trading profits of more than £4 million. Its profitability is improving as is its market share. Rothervale Joinery, acquired in July, will contribute in the second half.

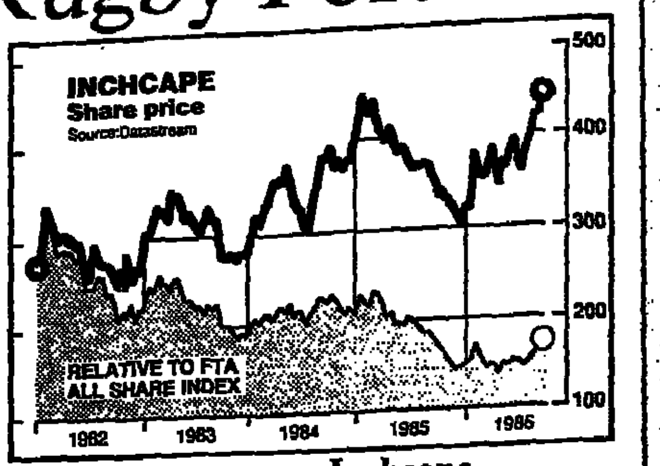
Australia, though ahead in local currency terms, was affected by exchange movements. Full-year profits will reflect a lower level of activities and a higher interest charge.

The rapid expansion implemented at Addison Corporation in the US has doubled both turnover and the number of depots. This has had a short-term damaging affect on margins although the outlook is now improving.

Profits of related cement companies in the US were lower. River Cement in the southern states has been particularly badly hit by imports.

The quality and mix of profits at Rugby Portand have changed almost beyond recognition in the last few years. Although there is still room for further improvement in the existing businesses, the group is actively looking for acquisitions at the light end of the industry. The balance sheet will be able to cope as gearing should have fallen by the year-end to about 25 per cent.

Profits of £32 million and 15.4p earnings are likely this year. Although the short-term outlook for the sector is cloudy, the changes at Rugby make the shares attractive on the fundamentals as well as on the traditionally high yield.



John Menzies

John Menzies seems to be rising above the disruption caused in London's newspaper wholesaling trade by the switch in distribution of News International's four titles.

Lost sales will amount to £15 million in the full year, but Menzies has made the necessary adjustments in manning levels. It is not quantifying the lost profits or redundancy costs.

Although distribution overheads are less susceptible to reduction, there is hope of filling up the vans again with the relaunched *Today* and the soon-to-be-launched *Independent*.

Two acquisitions, Early Learning Centres, the educational toy chain, and Readmore, the New York magazine subscription agency, performed well.

Ten Early Learning stores will be open in the United States by Christmas and the British tally will rise to nearly 140, from 96 when Menzies acquired it in May last year.

The main benefit from the opening programme will come next year. Menzies is still on the look-out for acquisitions and may soon be announcing a home-based buy worth about £5 million.

As always, Christmas is the crucial period. With consumer spending holding up and wages outstripping price inflation, the signs are favourable.

Menzies is expected to make £21.5 million this year, giving a prospective p/e ratio of 13, on shares unchanged at 313p. The shares are reasonably priced against the stores sector.

Inchcape

Having publicly displayed all its dirty linen last year, Inchcape was able to present a far cleaner washing line with its interim results yesterday. The figures, showing pretax profits rising from £36.2 million to £39.7 million, were at the top end of expectations and certainly justified *The Times* tipping Inchape as "recovery stock of 1986" in January. The shares have risen by 47 per cent since then, adding a further 5p to 446p yesterday.

It was Inchape's motor division which drove the group to higher profits in the first half. The retail and wholesale operations in Britain and the continent performed well but, more importantly, there were no more provisions to be made in Malaysia against Inchcape Berhad's heavy equipment and agricultural machinery business.

Outside the motors division, the picture was less rosy, with profits halving in both general merchanting and tea but showing a useful gain in insurance, where Inchcape expanded in May with the $27 million (£19.3) purchase of Intertek Services in the United States.

The next 12 months are likely to see more acquisitions as Mr George Turnbull, the chairman and chief executive, pursues his twin-track policy of expanding in areas of strength and rationalising the less profitable sidelines.

Although the sharp price rise is bound to flush out profit-takers soon, there are still some good reasons for following Inchcape through.

With more of last year's horrors being washed out in the second half, the group should achieve pretax profits of £75 million, putting the shares on a p/e ratio of 10 after a lower tax charge. And with so much of Inchcape's money coming from abroad, the stock has added flavour if sterling continues on its dismal downward path.

Half-time profits rise at Watts Blake

Pretax profits of Watts Blake Bearne rose by 18.8 per cent to £2.53 million in the first half of this year. Turnover expanded from £14.09 million to £15.44 million. The board of this producer of ball and china clays explains that a good performance by the West German subsidiary was the main factor behind the higher profits.

The interim dividend of this group, which is based in Newton Abbot, Devon, is being raised from 1.47p to 1.62p. It will be payable on November 28.

Watts's performance in Britain has been fairly static, with sales increasing by only £22,000. Better sales of ball clay to the British ceramics industry have been largely offset by a reduction in the demand for china clay in the fertilizer industry.

China clay sales were, nevertheless, higher because of continued strong demand from the paper industry.

The company is now sitting on a "cash mountain" of about £6.2 million. Mr John Pike, the managing director, says that Watts is looking for further acquisitions in West Germany, will be incurring expenditure on plant and machinery as well as improving product quality.

In brief

● A B ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS: Total dividend 10p (8p) for the year to June 30. Turnover £129.87 million (£122.06 million). Profit, before exceptional charge, £6.43 million (£8.69 million). Exceptional charge, nil (£4.66 million). Pretax profit £6.43 million (£4.03 million). Earnings per share: basic 19.6p (13.4p) and fully diluted, 19.4p (13.3p). The 1985 exceptional charge is the sum written-off the debt due by Acorn Computer Group.

● WILLS GROUP: Six months to June 30. Interim dividend 2.5p (same). Turnover £56.43 million (£57.63 million). Pretax profit £1.06 million (£396,000). Earnings per share 8.48p (1.8p).

● REX WILLIAMS LEISURE: Half-year to May 31. Interim dividend 0.42p (same). Turnover £487,000 (£467,000). Pretax profit £81,000 (£73,000). Earnings per share 0.57p (0.66p). The board is confident that the full year will show a material increase in pretax profits.

● DUNTON GROUP: Total payment lifted to 0.40p (0.24p) for the year to May 31. Turnover £1.81 million (£1.69 million). Pretax profit £201,853 (£231,211). Earnings per share 0.82p (1.21p).

COMPANY NEWS

● M6 CASH AND CARRY: The company has bought, from the receivers of Vouchurst, the property, equipment and stock of the former Avis cash and carry at Shadsworth Industrial Estate, Blackburn, for about £500,000 cash. This purpose-built unit is 30 miles north-east of the big M6 warehouse at Haydock, St Helens. It represents a 12 per cent increase in the group's selling space, although it is expected to have a minimal effect on group results for 1986.

● HOLLAS GROUP: The 50 per cent holding in Town and County Estates (Cheshire) has been sold to Laurentina UK for £500,000 cash. In addition, loans of about £185,000 have been repaid to Hollas. Hollas acquired the interest in 1984 for £156,000.

● CONTROL SECURITIES: Year to March 31. Turnover £12 million (£6.19 million). Pretax loss £3.37 million (loss £1.62 million). Loss per share 8.14p (9.18p). The board is confident that the group will be brought into profitability within a reasonable period.

● BRITANNIC ASSURANCE: Under an arrangement with the West Bromwich Building Society, each will be able to market the other's products. More than 60 of Britannic's district offices in the midlands and in Wales will have building society agency facilities. West Bromwich has provisionally allocated £25 million to Britannic for mortgage lending.

● STAG FURNITURE: Interim dividend 1.75p (same) for the 26 weeks to June 27. Turnover £15.13 million (£15.36 million). Pretax profit £472,000 (£420,000). The board reports that order intake has recently shown a significant improvement and all factories are currently working to capacity.

● RBC INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL FUND: Half-year Feb. 7 to July 31 (compared with Feb. 1 to Aug. 1, 1985). Income from investments and bank deposits (net of withholding taxes) $315,743 (£219,000), against $90,980. Net income $159,150 ($27,175). Interim dividend 12 cents (5 cents).

● UNITED FRIENDLY INSURANCE: First half of 1986. Interim dividend 6.1p (5.1p), payable on Nov. 26. Premium income: industrial branch, £44.4 million (£44.81 million), ordinary branch, £8.37 million (£7.83 million) and general branch, £27.53 million (£24.81 million). New life business — industrial branch — new premiums £7.35 million (£7.75 million) and new sums assured £102.97 million (£104.04 million); ordinary branch — new premiums £1.39 million (£1.4 million) and new sums assured, £100.75 million (£103.63 million). Overall, premium income for the half-year rose from £77.45 million to £80.3 million.

● J ROTHSCHILD HOLDINGS: The company has purchased for cancellation 1 million ordinary shares at £1.23 each. After these shares have been cancelled, the issued capital will be 358.85 million ordinaries.

● KOITAKI: The company has received acceptances for more than 90 per cent of Keywest Investments. The change of the merged company's name to Clayton Robard will be put to shareholders for approval at the annual meeting in November.

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G. A. Higham Chairman

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	6 months to 30th June 1986	6 months to 30th June 1985	Year to 31st Dec 1985
	£m	£m	£m
Turnover	141.1	107.1	252.2
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	14.2	6.9	21.8
Earnings	9.6	4.2	18.0
Earnings per share	6.7p	3.5p	13.7p
Dividends per share	3.1p	2.9p	6.4p
Exchange rates used: A$ — £1	2.28	1.93	2.12
US$ — £1	1.53	1.31	1.45

The six months figures are unaudited. The figures for the year ended 31st December 1985 are an abridged version of the Company's full accounts for that year which received an unqualified auditors' report and have been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

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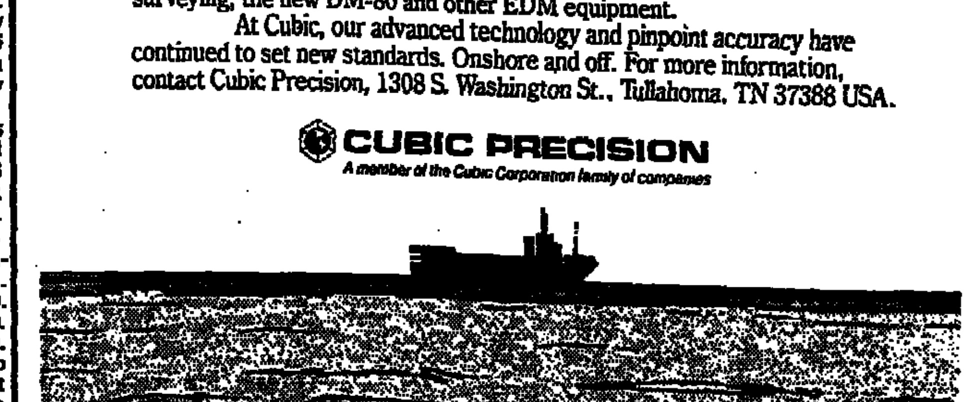

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Paul Lovelace

Easy riders: today's long-distance drivers demand sophisticated information feedback from their lorries, modern facilities to ease journey strain and strong vehicle construction

Hi-tech plus comfort for the man in the cab

The European commercial vehicle industry, particularly the makers of medium and heavy lorries, is going through a troubled and painful period of restructuring. In the short term, some hard decisions must be made about future capacity and therefore jobs.

The abandoning of truck-making in the UK by Bedford, with the loss of 3,150 jobs, is just one unfortunate manifestation of the malaise that has descended on the industry.

In the long run, however, the future for trucks in Europe is not so bleak. As with so many smokestack industries, the demand pattern of the trucks business has changed and companies must adapt or perish.

The European market for commercial vehicles is sophisticated. Customers demand more fuel efficiency, more comfort for their drivers and more high technology than in many other parts of the world, thus allowing the manufacturers to add greater value to their products and reap more profit.

This has become necessary in a market where customers have become increasingly cost-conscious. Efficient management of vehicle fleets is now recognized widely as a high-responsibility job no longer to be relegated to the garage supervisor.

The rise of specialist companies able to assume full control of fleets of lorries is also witness to the growing concentration on competitiveness. Permissible vehicle weights have been increased and bigger lorries carrying more goods are the result.

Inter-European Community barriers are coming down, allowing less troublesome transcontinental travel and less idle time for each truck.

For all of these reasons, the expansion of the market for new trucks in Europe will be slow in the next decade compared to the previous 10 years. The collapse of world truck demand in the 1980s has been felt chiefly in Europe and recovery is expected to be long and hard.

DRI Europe, the forecasting group, said last year: "Anecdotal evidence of improved efficiency in trucks fleets through more systematic fleet management, greater use of contract hire and other measures provides support for the view that the number of trucks in use is unlikely to grow rapidly in the future.

"In turn, the demand for trucks in Europe is likely to recover at a rather sedate rate, and pre-recession market performance will not be regained over the next 10 years."

In 1979, when demand for trucks peaked, about 418,000 trucks over 3.5 tonnes gross weight were registered in Europe but by 1982 sales had plummeted to 282,000. At the same time, the number of trucks produced for export slumped from 238,000 in 1980 — a record year — to just 164,000 in 1984.

The situation was aggravated by the all-too-familiar industrial story of companies investing in too much new capacity during the good times only to be stuck with it when the pendulum inevitably swung against them.

In 1983, European truck-makers suffered combined losses estimated at about £400 million, with BL's Leyland Vehicles leading the way with a net loss of £143.6 million. The only answer was to rationalize, cut back and hope for better times ahead.

Though there had been some restructuring in previous years, the new wave of realignments in the European truck industry began with the mighty Ford deciding that it had had enough. After losing £100 million on truck manufacture in Europe in five years, Ford called it a day and in April this year sold out to Iveco, the Fiat-owned producer that in Europe was already second only to Daimler-Benz.

The deal means that Ford will give up heavy truck production in Europe and gives Iveco access to an impressive UK dealer network.

The merger has changed the face of the European truck industry in the way that a General Motors takeover of Leyland Vehicles would have done. A combined Iveco-Ford now challenges Daimler-Benz in the market for trucks over six tonnes and puts Renault firmly into third place.

With GM now pulling out of European truck-making, the field is left to these manufacturers, with Volvo and Scania of Sweden — the only two companies to emerge relatively unscathed from the recession — and Daf of the Netherlands some way behind.

DRI now predicts steady expansion in all commercial-vehicle sectors. In a recent survey it predicted that total demand for trucks in seven major European Community markets would rise from 1,117,000 in 1985 to 1,214,000 by the end of the decade. Output it said would remain at last year's level of 1,343,000 for the next two years and then increase to a 1990 figure of 1,442,000.

Next year should prove to be a year of more general cheer, says DRI, with no more contraction in export markets and better European demand filtering through.

The collapse of world oil prices has fuelled expectations of higher economic growth in Europe — and with increased trade comes greater demand for lorries and vans. The other side of that coin is a consequent cutback by oil producing countries in their imports including trucks.

DRI warns that the one-third of European output that is sold outside western Europe is at risk. Light trucks will continue to be a buoyant product in home markets, but heavy truck sales will be hit by reduced exports. The gradual recovery foreseen for light and medium trucks abroad is expected to be "stopped in its tracks" because of spending cuts in the Opec countries.

The Japanese now have 20 per cent of the European light-van market and could reasonably expect to see this double by the end of the decade, particularly as a result of growing Japanese presence in European manufacturing.

It is a trend helped by two factors — European manufacturers' constant desire to cut development and production costs by spreading the risk using collaborative ventures and the need for Japanese producers to manufacture locally in an attempt to find a way aound import restrictions.

Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

Number of trucks for export slumped

Need for Japanese to manufacture locally

How the British kept on track

Recovery from the recession has been a long and painful process for Britain's commercial-vehicle manufacturers, and the recent traumatic cuts at General Motors' Bedford subsidiary have served to underline the fact that it is not yet achieved.

The 1980-81 depression for truck-makers was the deepest since the Second World War and it was clear then that some tough decisions would have to be made. And the home producers have been fighting a battle against imports. In the late-1970s, foreign-produced vehicles accounted for only about 20 per cent of the domestic market, but they are creeping up to the 50 per cent mark.

In the first eight months of this year, imports took slightly under 40 per cent of the lorry, van and bus market against 36.83 per cent a year earlier. In August alone, the penetration from foreign vehicles was 43.12 per cent, up from 41.3 per cent.

August is not so vital to the commercial-vehicle makers as it is to the car producers, but it still accounts for 12 per cent of the year's sales. With rising imports in a stagnating market, the message for what is left of the indigenous industry is not encouraging.

With the Fiat-owned Iveco now in control of Ford of Britain's heavy truck business and the GM abandonment of Bedford's heavy range, much depends on the Leyland Vehicles subsidiary of the Rover Group, smaller companies such as ERF and Seddon Atkinson and, at the light end, Ford and what is left of Bedford to wave the Union flag over commercial-vehicle manufacture.

Despite its problems, which relate to its size rather than to its products, Leyland is doing well domestically. In the first eight months of this year it continued to lead the market for heavy trucks with sales of 6,362 compared with 5,882 a year earlier. Ford's sales fell by more than 1,000 to an eight-month figure of 5,321.

That situation is likely to change dramatically with the formation of Iveco Ford Trucks (IFT). Ford reckons that it has lost more than £100 million in heavy truck manufacture in the last five years. It decided that to maintain its UK base, it needed a collaboration venture. For Iveco, the attraction of getting a much sought-after UK manufacturing foothold was irresistible.

IFT, with its big UK dealer network, is confident of winning at least 25 per cent of the domestic market. It is a force to be reckoned with, twice as big as Renault Trucks and rivalling the dominance of the heavy truck sector by West Germany's Daimler-Benz.

The increasing international nature of the commercial-vehicle industry serves again to underline the need for Leyland to get bigger to survive, which it may do through expanding its association with Daf or by its planned privatization.

Healthy rise in the purpose-builts

With 10 per cent of the UK market suddenly available as a result of the Bedford decision, Leyland seems in a good position to take advantage and increase its domestic share.

In the light-truck and van sectors of the UK industry, business has been booming since the recession. In the five years to the end of 1985, UK sales of light vans — most of them delivery vehicles derived from cars — and light trucks rocketed by 60 per cent to almost 100,000. The purpose-built heavy van market showed a healthy rise of nearly a quarter to more than 121,000 units sold last year.

But competition is cut-throat, with importers such as Renault, Volkswagen, Mercedes, Nissan and Citroen all having introduced new vehicles and all selling hard in the UK.

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MANY HAPPY RETURNS.

Many happy returns are the way 1617 signals 1633s," says Cary Blundell on John Hall's "fleet of them are somewhere between here and Germany, importing kitchens is one of our major pieces of business. The loads come straight out of the factory and into the truck — they cannot have no storage capacity. So we've just got to be there for our time slots. There are no warm fronts so we're as good as our last job. If we're not good then that probably was our last job.

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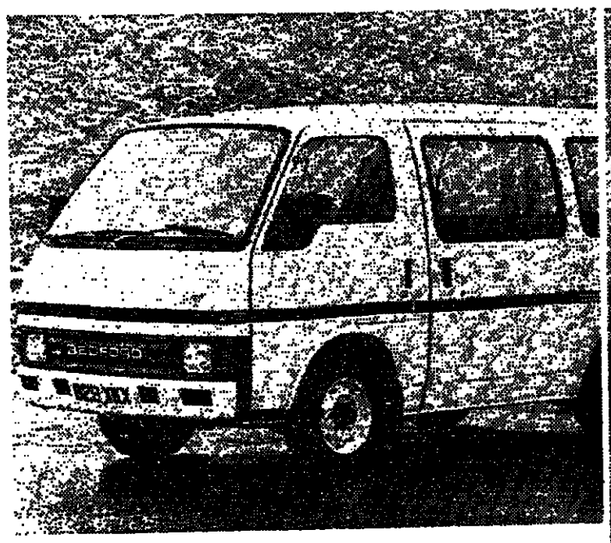

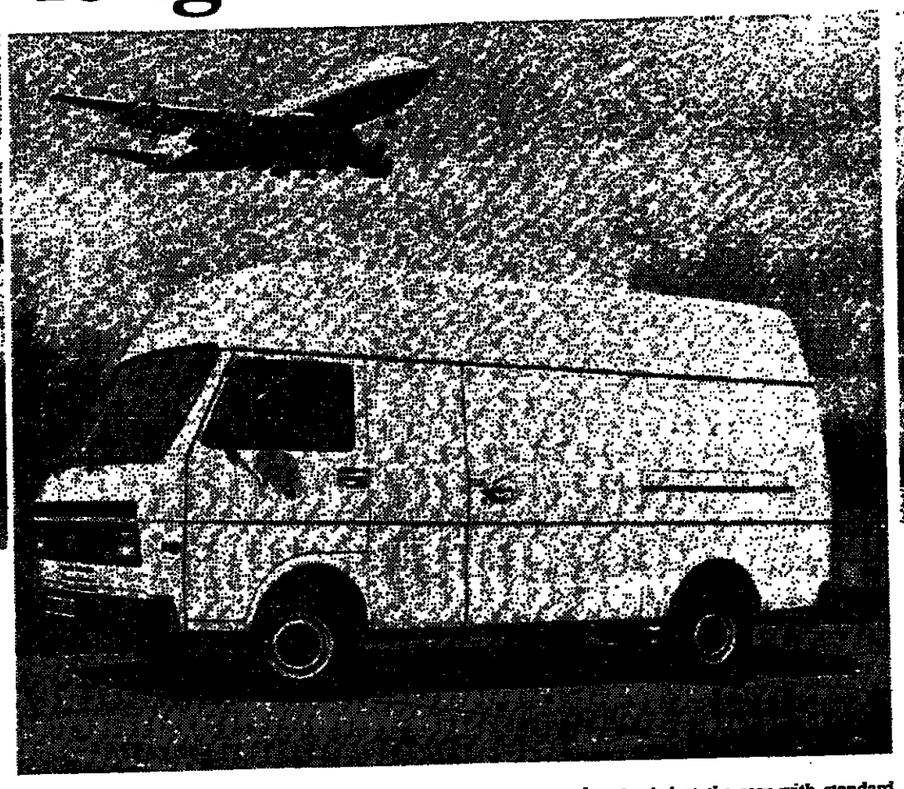

Above: one of the vans in Bedford's new Isuzu-designed, Luton-assembled Midi range. With petrol or diesel engine and a 2.35-metre wheelbase, it can seat 12.

Right: VW's first long-wheelbase high-roof version of the LT35E will be on view at next month's British Motor Show.

Above: the great success story of the panel-van business, Ford has sold more than two million Transits, in four and six wheel versions. Pictured is the 1986 Transit 100L long-wheelbase model. Though not selling the same numbers as the previous model, Ford expects the 100L to make up the difference

In the Ford domination of the market for larger vans, the new Transits take on the leading role in place of the old ones, which have bowed out after 20 years spent notching up more than two million sales.

Growing production at the Southampton plant for Transits provided the great majority of the 5,119 UK registrations in August compared with 4,702 in August last year. Though the eight-month total of 27,956 compares with 30,276 for the corresponding period of 1985, the leeway is expected to be made up steadily.

In this category, Bedford has the Isuzu-designed, Luton-assembled Midi panel van, window van and nine-seater to 12-seater passenger models. There are plenty of options, including petrol and diesel engines, and high-roof versions. The Midis complement the long-serving CF vans which now come as the CF2 in improved form and with a large number of door options.

Bedford's UK-made larger van registrations last month were 1,251, compared with 1,908 in August 1985. For this year so far, the 8,626 registrations in Britain are lower than the 9,314 units in the first eight months of 1985. Then there are about 800 KB pick-ups imported from Isuzu in Japan, which is around the same total as at this time last year.

Peugeot Talbot relies on imports in this category, with the Express vans among the 4,640 registrations so far this year (4,733 last time round). Mercedes-Benz has a new range of medium vans offering higher payloads in a bid to stimulate sales in this sector, where its 4,525 UK registrations to date this year compare with 4,310 in the first eight months of 1985.

Volkswagen is steady at around 5,500 units for the eight months. The company has been doing some aggressive advertising to project improved models across the range.

A special tilt is made against Ford Transit buyers. On display at the British Motor Show next month will be VW's first long-wheelbase high-roof version of the LT35E. This model has a minimum inside width of 1.37 metres.

loaded at the rear with standard pallets.

With some leeway to make up (10,528 new registrations so far this year compared with 11,290 at the end of August last year), Freight Rover has added a special to the Sherpa range. It is a police "fast response" version now finding customers among various forces. Power is by the V8 3.5-litre Land-Rover/Range Rover engine in the wide-bodied Sherpa 300 series, which also includes minibus and chassis cab variants as well as panel vans.

Because of the voluntary agreement on the volume of motor imports from Japan, it follows that Japanese figures tend to balance out at the end of the year, so no great importance can be attached to any trends meanwhile.

Total Nissan figures of 5,514 so far this year against 2,811 at the 1985 count include imports of Vanette and Trade vans from Spain, of which none was imported in 1985.

Mitsubishi continues on an even keel at around 1,500 units so far. The British Motor Show next month will see the European debut of a new L200 pick-up and a new L300 panel van, both of which will be on sale here early next year.

New registrations in the UK of the larger vans and their variants (designated officially as light commercial vehicles 1801-3500 kg) were 83,459 in the January-August period compared with 85,289 in January-August 1985.

The figures of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders also show the British share this time at 43,886 was down on the 1985 figure of 48,413, while imports so far this year at 39,573 increased from 36,876 in 1985.

Geoffrey Hancock

Bus-stop head-turner: the new Optare CityPacer 25 midi bus is being used by London Buses as part of a fleet to provide a service in a south London suburb under contract to London Regional Transport

Still waiting for the bus recovery

For a bus and coach industry making fewer public service vehicles than at any time since the war, the Government's bus-deregulation policy which comes into effect next month has had all the buoyancy of a lead balloon.

Since January only 1,743 new buses and coaches were registered in Britain. The figure of 2,029 for the first eight months of 1985 was not much better.

Deceptively, most of the brightly coloured buses coming on the streets in readiness for D (for deregulation) day on October 26 are existing vehicles which have been smartened up. Not that there is anything wrong with the latest products. Indeed, they show considerable enterprising ideas, such as new doubledeckers with flat engines under the middle to maximize floor space for passengers.

These designs are offered by Leyland and Volvo's Scottish assembly plant.

Dennis Specialist Vehicles has a new 12-metre coach chassis designed for high floor luggage capacity with low floor bodywork, and the latest version of the Lancet medium-weight, single-decker chassis is being looked at by the National Bus Company. The expertise of Metro-Cammell Weymann includes playing an important role in the world's first guided bus project using double deckers now operating in Birmingham.

But the state of uncertainty in the market means there is little action except for ventures in mini and midi buses.

Market in a state of uncertainty

Five of the revolutionary new Optare CityPacer 25 midi buses are being used by London Buses as part of a fleet to provide a service in Orpington south London under contract to London Regional Transport. These distinctively styled 25-seaters could well have an important role in future public transport, but as Denis Quin, director general of the Bus and Coach Council points out, smaller buses are developing as an urban phenomenon, although not so much on rural services where minibuses were always thought to be the answer by politicians and others outside the industry.

Mr Quin does not rule out the profitable use of minibuses in rural areas but says that where there are more passengers than one minibus can carry, the conventional bus is the economic alternative.

Meanwhile, it is ironic that Leyland Trucks, which head the eight-months bus and coach registration at 698 units (826 in the similar period of 1985), has such an uncertain future, while Bedford with 208 units registered (197 in the 1985 period) is pulling out of bus chassis work altogether.

Perhaps it is just as well that the bus and coach section at the British Motor Show in Birmingham next month will be closed to the public.

Evidently the industry wants to be alone until it is seen when a recovery will start and what form it will take.

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Bedford continues its stout battle

Despite Bedford's decision to pull out of medium- and heavy-duty truck production and wave goodbye to bus-chassis work, this commercial-vehicle arm of General Motors battles on stoutly at the lower end of the market.

In the smaller van class, where car-derived vans predominate, the 17,624 Bedford sales in Britain for the first eight months of this year compare with 13,096 in the corresponding period of 1985. These figures reflect the strength of the Astra van and its high-roof counterpart the Astramax, both available with 1.3 or 1.6 litre petrol engines plus the option of a 1.6 litre diesel unit.

Then there are the Rascals. These 970 cc-engined small vans and dropside pick-ups which came on the scene in May of this year, made at Luton, alongside the Super Carry, the Suzuki counterpart. Suzuki is an associate company of General Motors, so in these times of increasing international tie-ups this was a natural extent to the market for a basic product just 10ft 10in (3.3m) long, and a body capacity of 93.6 cubic ft (2.65 cu m).

VW's van based on the Polo hatchback delivers 40 mpg

Ford takes top place in the small-van market through the pulling power of the Fiesta and Escort vans, each with diesel-engine variants. The 18,412 new registrations this year are 3,700 down on 1985, but there is time for this to be made up — and more.

Austin Rover activities in this sector resulted in 14,445 sales of Austin Metro and Maestro vans this year (15,077 in 1985) but a long-awaited boost is about to come. This is a diesel engine for the Maestro van, a momentous happening because the unit is the first application of the high-speed, direct-injection diesel developed by Austin Rover and Perkins.

The engine, which will feature in Austin Rover passenger cars later, promises fuel consumption at least 15 per cent better than existing engines. The absence of any diesel-engine option has been a severe handicap in recent years.

Renault, which has more than trebled small-van sales this year to 2,829 presses the challenge still more with the addition of a new Renault 5 van (with a choice of 1.1-litre petrol engine or 1.6-litre diesel unit) to boost the Extra.

At 3,558 (3,209) Peugeot Talbot light-van sales are from car-derived imports but if and when the Peugeot 309 gets a van alternative, the sales will be British in line with the built-in-Britain saloons.

For Volkswagen, Polo and Golf vans have pulled in 1,880 new registrations this year, which is about the same as in 1985. Nissan's return, including the Sunny van, shows 1,205 sales against 894 for the comparable period last year but the Anglo-Japanese understanding about curbing Japanese motor imports into Britain does not suggest any great increase for the year as a whole.

In the total light-van sector, new registrations at 67,820 so far this year are up by 2,850 units, of which imports get an extra 2,202 and British products the other 648.

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Trucks about to turn the corner

As the commercial-vehicle market in Britain marks time with no real hope of an improvement in sales for the rest of this year, the truck expectations are pinned on the seven-year switch.

It is reasoned that with seven years, the usual life of a new truck before renewal, things can only get better. Especially as seven years ago the 1979 truck sales were a record at 79,856 units. This is how UK truck sales have fared since then: 1980, 61,300; 1981, 44,950; 1982, 45,349; 1983, 49,950; 1984, 52,821; 1985, 55,833.

For the first eight months of this year truck sales of 36,322, compared with 37,057 in the similar period of last year. In those figures, 22,303 units were British this time round (23,875 in January-August last year) with imports at 14,019 (13,182).

On that reckoning, the British truck market will do well to reach 55,000 units this year. Producers expect a considerable improvement next year but any thought of a bonanza is restrained by overcapacity in Europe.

Trucks have been given greatly improved payloads. Ten years ago nearly 600,000 heavy goods vehicles were licensed in the UK. Now there are 437,000. The early tonnage carried by each vehicle has increased from 2,600 to 3,150 — a 21 per cent increase in productivity.

Luxuries such as an electrically operated sliding roof are in MAN's Super Truck

Customers operate more efficiently, too. They maximise usage, helped in many cases by competitive contract hire deals which avoid the need to tie up capital sums in outright buying. Enterprising self drive rentals cater for peak transport times.

Against this background, truck makers strive hard for yet more efficiency to commend to customers. The proposed Leyland Trucks-Bedford tie-up came to nothing but a joint-venture marketing operation between Ford and Iveco is fast taking shape.

The aim is to give the strongest truck range with the best service for customers. A hot shot in the armoury is the Ford Cargo of which more than 70,000 units have been made since 1981, 50,000 of them operating in the UK.

Despite the insecurity which surrounds its name, Leyland Trucks look to sharing in next year's recovery helped by the latest Roadrunner which has better power, smoother performance and gains in cab comfort for the three basic models rated at 6.2, 7.5 and 10 tonnes. The Leyland range also features the Freighter with which the company makes a return to the fire engine market, 26 having been ordered by the Lancashire county fire brigade.

So far this year Leyland have had 6,362 new truck registrations compared with 5,882 in January-August, 1985.

Mercedes-Benz maintain a vigorous challenge with the 4,948 new registration more than 600 units better than a year ago. Volvo have kept steadily around the 3,000 mark. The FL7, FL10, F10 and F12 trucks have new chassis frames made of high-strength steel for lower chassis weight and greater payloads.

MAN registrations at 1,776 units are 760 more than in the first eight months of 1985.

Through the Dodge business it now owns Renault Truck Industries are more active as a home producer on the British market than an importer. Renault Dodge registrations so far this year at 2,865 compared with 3,205 last year. The presence is particularly strong in the local authority public sector including vehicles with refuse collecting and street lighting maintenance applications.

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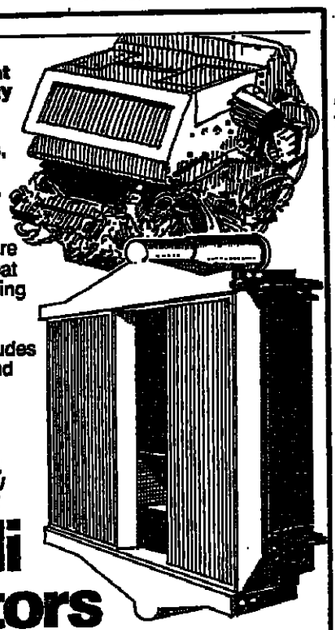

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COMPUTER HORIZONS/1

Edited by Matthew May

Are the Japanese finally making an impact?

THE WEEK

By Matthew May

Honeywell, the American computer and control equipment firm, announced last week that it wants to merge the computer part of its business with NEC of Japan and the state-owned French computer firm Bull.

It was a decision greeted with little suprise. Honeywell was seen as badly in need of some sort of restructuring and all three companies have previously had strong ties in producing and selling computers – until the nationalization of Bull in 1982 Honeywell had a 47 per cent stake.

But it is the first major example of three-way co-operation between such firms in America, Japan and Europe and for NEC in particular – already among the top 10 sellers in each of the three fields of computers, communications and semiconductors, it gives a further inroad into the US and European markets.

Details of the potential joint venture have yet to be sorted out but NEC, with an £8 billion a year turnover, will no doubt welcome the possibilities of selling more of its products through the distribution networks of the other two companies.

This particular venture is a signal that after US domination in the computer industry since its inception, the time may be approaching when the Japanese can finally start to make inroads outside their home country.

IBM, for example, has long dismissed the possibility that it need fear any real competition from European or US companies admitting only the Japanese as a long-term threat.

The planned tie-up follows closely from the finalization earlier this month of the merger between the US computer firms Burroughs and Sperry, with such moves being seen as increasingly necessary to try to combat both the falling profits throughout nearly all of the industry and the overwhelming dominance of IBM in the field.

Its turnover, running at £33 billion last year, exceeded the computer related turnover of the next 12 companies put together.

Honeywell is known to want to concentrate on the more profitable parts of its business, such as aerospace and defence contracts and automation and control equipment. It has also expressed an interest in buying Sperry's aerospace and marine group.

Like many others, Honeywell has seen a sharp fall in profits and last month announced it wanted to lose about 4 per cent of its workforce by the end of the year – about 4,000 jobs. Falling profits have reduced the price to earnings ratio of many large computer companies, but with large cash flows they can still be an attractive proposition to others.

Burroughs recently revealed that Sperry, now its subsidiary, put in a bid for Honeywell at about £70 a share after preliminary merger talks with Honeywell. It was a figure considerably lower than its asset value and stock market analysts had for some time been pointing out that a restructuring by Honeywell was overdue.

NEC will be the heavyweight partner in any agreement both through its larger turnover, £2.3 billion last year for computer activities nearly double that of each of the other two, and through its current sales of machines through them.

Earlier this month NEC announced a joint venture with Honeywell to sell supercomputers, powerful mainframes largely used for number crunching by scientists and engineers, throughout North America.

Honeywell's information systems business already sells NEC mainframes after a five-year agreement last year to sell at least 150 and Bull also markets NEC's larger computers.

With the exception of one sale by Fujitsu, only NEC has managed to sell Japanese supercomputers to America. But NEC still only sells less than 15 per cent of its computer products outside Japan and while acknowledeged to spend more on product development than most – 12 per cent of sales revenue compared to eight per cent by IBM – it is considered to be weak in software and perhaps not pay enough attention to service and support functions.

Japan's work on the next generation of computers and software, the so-called fifth generation, is seen as an attempt to leapfrog the rest of the computer industry.

It is going slower than planned but if it works, NEC will have a strong base in both Europe and America to push Japanese computing out into the rest of the world and perhaps even worry IBM.

US firm delays new architecture

■ The American computer firm Hewlett-Packard has had to delay deliveries of a new business computer system based on RISC architecture – a novel form of computer design the industry is only beginning to accept. Hewlett-Packard announced in March that it was to base nearly all of its future computer products on RISC (Reduced Instruction Set) and though a technical system will be available in December as planned, the business version will be delayed until mid-1987.

It is the first company to base an entire product range on the new architecture and other computer manufacturers are watching its progress keenly. Alan Furniss, the UK marketing manager, said the delays were due to "additional tuning requirements" and not the RISC technology which builds simple instructions into the hardware of a machine while putting less frequently used instructions into software. This, say its proponents, makes computers more powerful and cheaper.

Stopping mistakes

■ The Alvey Directorate, the Government-backed computing initiative in response to Japan's national research programme, has announced a £2 million project to look into the problems of specifying software requirements. More than 80 per cent of mistakes in software could be avoided if more attention was paid in the planning stages it says. "Existing specification procedures are widely recognized as inadequate causing costly and potentially dangerous deficiencies in computer software." The project, to be completed by 1988, will be conducted by the University of Manchester Insitute and Technology, Data Logic and Scicon.

Professional shortage

■ Despite the sharp fall in sales of home computer software from the heady days a couple of years ago, there is apparently still a shortage of professional programmers who can write good games programs – several of whom have made the switch from business programming. The software firm Hewson said it is looking for a new generation of "would-be software superstars" to work freelance. And although there are no guarantees, said the managing director Andrew Hewson, a succesful game could net the author up to £20,000 in royalties. Hewson is on 0235 832939.

Logica bounces back

■ The software firm Logica has announced pre-tax profits of £6.8 million, up 36 per cent on a turnover of £87 million. Extraordinary charges largely concerned with Logica's closing its office automation divisions after hefty losses came to £12.2 million – £3.7 million less than provided for in a circular to shareholders last December.

Last year Logica reported a £2.34 million loss despite a £5 million profit on activities other than office automation.

"What happens when we go live?"

Its experience was seen as a salutary lesson by critics of the automated office concept who argue that it is an area still not sufficiently sorted out to be attractive to most businesses.

Locking the micro

■ Preventing unauthorized access to computers has traditionally been the field of corporate computing, but accountants Deloitte Haskins & Sells believe the spread of micros has meant many should now be protected. "The business world spends heavily on protecting information held on mainframe systems, but next to nothing on protecting the same information held on micros" said John High, a partner in the firm's computer services division. It is to start selling its own £350 "security software" package which can provide different access levels for different users, the logging of who uses what and the automatic encryption of files. Further information on 01-248 3913

COMPUTER BRIEFING

IBM chief for France

■ The former head of IBM Europe, Jacques Maisonrouge, has been made director general of industry for the French government. His close links with American industry and his 38-year career with IBM until 1984, coupled with his lack of previous Civil Service experience, are both seen as a break with tradition for the French who are usually suspicious of American business influence and IBM in particular.

Graphics in 3D

■ Computer-aided design is always cited as one of the chief areas to benfit from the increasing size of computer memory available on desktop computers coupled with falling prices. A three-dimensional solid modelling package for the IBM PC or compatibles is now on sale for £8,500, which includes the software, a colour graphics board, colour monitor and digitizer pad to enter drawings though not the computer which needs 512k of memory and, said the supplier Io Research, should preferably be a PC/AT or compatible.

Three-dimensional designs can be viewed as if from different camera positions or as if under various lighting conditions and four different views of an object can appear simultaneously on screen.

Further information from Io on 01-441 5700.

Going Online

■ If cheap PCs take off as expected they could provide an important filip to a whole range of associated services which in themselves become cheaper operations. Database services are one example of an industry that now has a "reduced entry price", as the marketing industry puts it. The Cleveland-based Headland Press has produced a new guide, *How to Go Online*, looking at software and systems to connect with outside databases of business and technical information. There are two major stumbling blocks with joining such services, said the author Ed Stanton, a lecturer in computing at Newcastle Polytechnic, knowing how to start and having to learn complex commmand languages.

His book, he said, helps with the first and a new generation of easier to use online services should eventually solve the second. Tumbling prices do not, however, appear to have hit the business guide trade as the 134-page book is £50.

Look no wires

■ Computer networks have traditionally been expensive, difficult to install and aimed at larger companies. Now there are several for the the cheaper end of the market. Molecular Computer (0753 44113) has produced a system for IBM PCs and compatibles which unusually starts with a network for only two users. Priced at £745 it uses twisted pair cable and can be expanded at about £300 for each extra terminal.

File servers for the network start at £4,750 for a 20-megabyte hard disc version. For those wishing to dispense with cables, Modular Techology (0869 253361) has announced two systems to handle computer data as well as video and audio signals. A £2,500 infra red system can transmit data up to 200 metres, while a £5,000 laser system can work up to a kilometre. The first customer is the Reuters news agency in Australia which intends to transmit computerized information between office buildings in Sydney.

US ahead in hi-tech

■ Despite fears it is being overtaken by other nations and a gloomy outlook for its balance of high technology trade, the United States still sees itself as top in three out of four key areas of the technology, according to a survey published in the US magazine *Fortune*. It asked 40 business executives and experts to rank the US, Western Europe, Japan and the Soviet Union on the basis of the state of research and development.

The US was first in computers, biotechnology, and materials development, only being nudged into second place by Japan in the field of opto-electronics, a sector that includes optical fibres for high-speed communications. In computers, where the US achieved a 9.9 rating out of a possible 10, control by UScompanies, notably IBM, seems assured for the immediate future though may eventually be threatened by Japanese advances in semiconductors.

Wanted: Literate writers for 'techspeak' industry

JOB SCENE

By Eddie Coulter

While parents, teachers and non-technologists are complaining about "techspeak" creeping into everyday language, it appears that technology is at last making an effort to introduce more of the English language into computer languages and systems.

Jobs with fourth generation languages, for example, are more likely to go to those people who can speak and write clear English. And the demand for more user-friendly systems, understandable to those non-computer people who have to use them, has been growing in recent years.

Yet despite this trend, and often regardless of the technical expertise available in the computer industry, few highly trained data processing people can write well. Many user manuals, especially those that accompany microcomputers and related software packages, have sometimes put even experienced users to the test because of the poor standard of writing and presentation.

Computer communications: Crying out for knowledgeable writers

This problem has long been recognized among the larger computer manufacturers and companies that supply advanced systems for defence and complex industrial uses. Now, because of user complaints, management in some branches of the computer industry is realizing that documentation should be written by people who know how to write.

So technical authors, and particularly those who know software, are in greater demand than ever.

"Some of the top technical writers, many of whom are self-employed, have specialized knowledge and experience of specific types of software," said Peter Hucklesby, technical publications manager of the Stevenage-based DB Design Services Group, a contract technical writing and recruitment agency. "Such authors can virtually name their own price," he said.

"A good writer can expect to earn up to £24,000 a year working either on contract or in-house, while the average writer can get £18,000 a year."

The higher salaries it seems are to be had by working on contract through a specialized technical writing agency. But for career security, a permanent company position may be preferable.

For a permanent writing job it is necessary to approach the larger computer firms. Smaller companies cannot usually justify full-time technical authors and will contract out their writing work.

It as a precise discipline demanding an organized, analytical mind.

IBM, a huge producer of documentation, emphasizes the need for such discipline and the ability to present concepts consistently throughout a user manual. Although even IBM contracts out writing work, it still maintains a 40-strong staff of technical writers at its Hursley development laboratory.

Typical of most large computer firms it has a clear picture of what constitutes a suitable candidate for technical writing.

First, a good understanding of one or more specific aspects of technology – either hardware or software. Also important is the ability to write and communicate with others. Communications skills are essential in gathering information and in its presentation so that the eventual user can understand it.

People who have some management ability and self-motivation are necessary as they may have to handle several projects at once and see each through at different levels right up to publication of the completed documents.

With such basic skills, training to be a technical author poses little problem. Rarely do you lose touch with existing skills because mostly you are writing on the latest developments relating to your own technical subject matter.

This means you can always revert to the discipline you were working on before. It also seems that age is little barrier to becoming a technical writer.

"Some technical writers move back and forth between writing and development work throughout their careers," said Terry White, joint managing director of Howard Electronics, part of the Howard Organization which supplies contract and permanent technical writing staff to companies throughout Europe.

> The career requires a certain type of person

Computer communications is one area where firms are crying out for knowledgeable writers. Apart from commercially-related publications work, authors who can write about defence and military systems are always needed.

Ex-servicemen – usually officers – with a good technical background in the Armed Forces have the advantage of knowing Ministry of Defence procedures. They have also usually been taught structured writing techniques.

Once into technical writing, a wider knowledge of state-of-the-arts systems can be gained.

The need for writing skills as well as technical understanding is likely to become even greater as more systems and software developers contemplate replacing printed manuals with flexible "help-based" screen documentation prefaces to systems supplied on disc.

Yet despite a clear demand for technical writers, jobs are rarely advertised. Often this is because commercial systems developers leave the writing requirement decisions until late in a project when they have a better idea of the precise skills and writing time scales needed.

It also explains the popularity of contract authoring, whose agencies maintain comprehensive lists of writers with specific technical understanding.

Qualifications are obtainable in technical authorship and a number of colleges of further education run courses leading to City and Guilds certificates in the subject.

Other organizations also run basic technical writing skills courses. The Institute of Scientific and Technical Communicators can give advice and information on careers and courses in the subject.

Although most courses are not usually aimed specifically at computing, they are designed to teach technologists the precise art of technical writing.

For the computer literate interested in the field, a good command of the English language is needed along with the ability to overview a system's objective in new user terms. They must also understand their technical discipline and know how to ask questions on it.

For some there can be further career progression from technical writing into corporate communications and technical press work.

● *Further information on careers and courses in technical writing may be obtained from the Institute of Scientific and Technical Communicators, 17, Bluebridge Avenue, Brookmans Park, Hatfield, Herts. Tel: Potters Bar (0707) 55392.*

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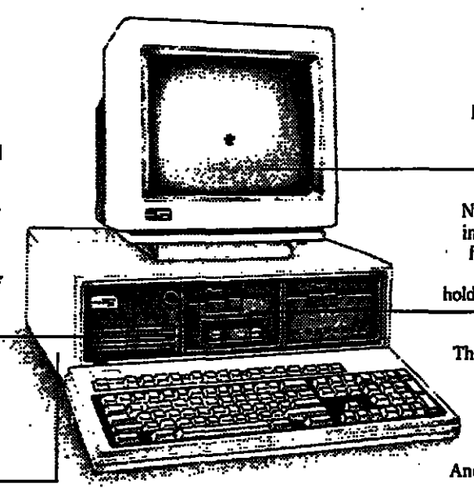

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Why an old road-runner needs its MOT

By David Guest

"Physician, heal thyself" is a maxim that the computer industry seems to have taken to heart. With boundless energy it often creates as many problems as it solves, but given time it attends to these as well.

The latest example concerns a problem created nearly 30 years ago — Cobol programming. Like old cars held together by Jubilee clips, many old Cobol programs are barely roadworthy. Software engineers have come up with a radical solution — re-build them automatically.

Their products are called Cobol re-structuring tools, and the suppliers predict that 1986 will prove to be the year they come into their own. But so far they have been largely an American phenomenon — *European users are few and far between.*

If they do the job they are supposed to, re-structuring tools could make a great impact on Britain's data processing labour shortage.

The chronic scarcity of skilled staff strikes as hard at a company's existing stock of programs as at those it hopes to develop in the future. Programs need constant attention, but programmers prefer to work on new projects. They have good reasons for avoiding the old ones.

As programming languages go, Cobol is wordy. A considerate programmer can make a line of Cobol code resemble a terse kind of English.

But several thousand lines of code swim before the eyes; if they resemble English at all it's the English of *Finnegan's Wake.* When a large program goes wrong, a Cobol haystack can hide a needle effectively.

Cobol has been in use for 27 years and it has been the dominant language for many of them. Vast numbers of programs have been written, composed of billions of lines of code.

An old traditional program starts at the beginning and works doggedly through to the end in a linear fashion; such a program is called monolithic.

Modern structured programming splits the program up into small units that do distinct tasks within the overall design. The difference could be compared to model building — using match-sticks, glue and imagination it's possible to build a scale replica of HMS Victory, but the job is easier with moulded plastic parts and exploded views of the plan.

Monolithic programs, it is estimated, constitute 60 per cent of the total European

Many lines of code swim before the eyes

stock, 75 per cent in the US. They present a number of serious problems. Being old, they are by implication central to the function of the company they serve; they will also have been changed many times over the years.

To a programmer trained in structured methods they will probably be indecipherable. Restructuring tools aim to turn old programs into something that a modern programmer will recognize and be able to work with.

They dismantle the monolith and impose a logical structure on it, regurgitating it in the form of connected modules. They are themselves programs and some enthusiasts claim they exhibit a form of intelligence.

But if the Cobol program being re-structured contains flaws, they will faithfully reproduce the flaws. They don't change the function of the program.

One supplier, Language Technology of Massachusetts, is looking for a European distributor for its product, called Recoder.

The company's marketing director, Gordon Gossage, said: "The key question we are always asked by companies is does it work?; so we offer a trial, to restructure 5,000 lines of their code. Then they ask whether it will work on all their programs. People are conservative, they've been

Starting from scratch can be costly

promised too many miracle cures."

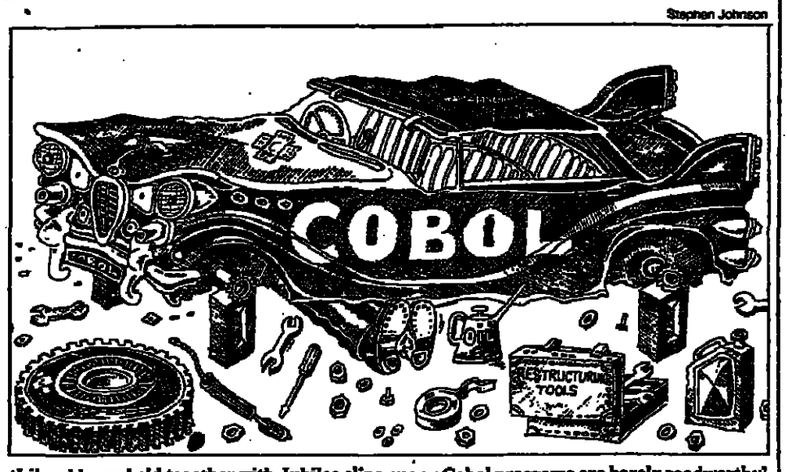
In Britain the Government's advisory body on computing matters, the Central Computer and Telecommunications Agency, has embarked on an evaluation of re-structuring tools.

It promotes standards in government department computing and structured methods are among them. But part of its brief in examining re-structuring tools is to determine where a data processing department might as well cut its losses and start again from scratch.

Depending on the size of the program, this can be a costly option. An often quoted example is the case of Pacific Gas and Electric, in California. This utility faced the prospect of re-writing 900,000 lines of code at an estimated cost of $13 million. Instead it used a re-structuring tool that cost just over $100,000.

Restructuring may prove to be no more than a stop-gap measure. On the other hand, the technique may lead to products of greater versatility. In either case, the future for capable Cobol programmers seems assured.

Stephen Johnson



'Like old cars held together with Jubilee clips, many Cobol programs are barely roadworthy'

Ruthless Big Blue and the birth of the hacker

● The advent of the personal computer removed much of the mystique surrounding the work of computer experts. In this first extract from a book to be published next month, *The Cult of Information*, the author Theodore Roszak, above, charts how IBM had to come to terms with the microcomputer

Until the mid-1970s, the prevailing public image of information technology was austere and exotic. It focused on mysterious, highly expensive machinery that belonged in the exclusive care of trained technicians.

Its operations had to be discussed in the esoteric language of information theory, with the aid of much mathematics. As an extension of the human mind, the computer was coming to be seen as necessary for all advanced scientific thought and high-level decision making, a role that still further distanced it from public access.

Its reputation as a rival to human intelligence may have had much to do with science fiction exaggerations — like the rebellious computer HAL in the film 2001 — but there was already a lively discussion abroad about the way in which automation would soon revolutionize the assembly line and the white collar workplace by taking over an ever larger range of skilled employment. There was very little the public knew about computers that did not make the machines seem elite and intimidating.

Perhaps most dramatically of all, by way of saturation television coverage, the nation had been many times treated to the sight of the Johnson Mission Control Center in Houston, where massed ranks of technicians seated before massed ranks of computers supervised the triumphs of the still glamorous space program.

Quite as intimidating as such media imagery was the social fact that the province of information technology was still under tight corporate control. Indeed, it was dominated by the most elite and private of corporations: IBM, a high tech Colossus that stood astride the world, suave, aloof, and imperial.

Since the war years, "Big Blue," as IBM was known in the industry, had grown into the quintessential embodiment of the technocratic

Hi-tech Colussus that stood astride the world

business style. As close to a world monopoly as any firm had ever come, its control of the industry was assumed to be efficient to the point of infallibility.

By the mid-1960s, it owned two-thirds of the information technology business. What it did not own largely survived by its sufferance, salvaging the crumbs that IBM let fall from its plate. So large and domineering was IBM that it was not regarded as anybody's "competition"; rather, it was the "environment" within which everybody else did business.

Other companies surrounded IBM like the vassals of the crown; their business was mainly to do what IBM chose not to do or to produce plug-in compatibles for IBM equipment.

True to its lordly stature, IBM had brought the postwar organization man ethos to its perfection. It was run like a taut ship whose disciplined crew was coolly ruthless in the marketplace, fanatically loyal to the firm, machine-tooled to fit the corporate chain of command.

But at some point in the 1960s, infallible Big Blue made a miscalculation. The possibility was at hand for making small, low-priced computers. This could be done as simply as by detaching existing terminals from their mainframes and upgrading them into autonomous data processors.

Such machines would have minimal memory and could only run reduced programs, but they would be more compact and cheaper than even the minicomputers then being used in offices and laboratories.

In effect, they could be household appliances. IBM nevertheless elected to keep its money and brains concentrated on the development of large-scale computers. This was, of course, where most of its thriving military and civilian market lay: with expensive mainframe machines and their accessories.

Perhaps, in part, IBM's decision also sprang from the fact that the company saw the future of information technology in its own corporate image: rigidly hierarchical and centrally controlled. IBM had never conceived of selling computers to the general public.

IBM's machines went out to the world as locked black boxes; their inner architecture was propriety, meant to be accessible only to company engineers.

The archetypal 'nerds' of the profession

hackers are remembered as a special breed. Reportedly, many of them were socially gauche to the point of being unworldly. They are the archetypal "nerds" of the profession.

As a group they possessed even less political consciousness than commercial savvy; they were purely technicians from first to last. But by the end of the 1960s, there was another species of hacker on the horizon, emerging mainly on the West Coast from the ranks of the anti-war movement.

These were the radical or guerrilla hackers, who were destined to give the computer a dramatically new image and a political orientation it could never have gained from Big Blue or any of its vassals in the mainstream of the industry.

At their hands, information technology would make its closest approach to becoming an instrument of democratic politics.

The Cult of Information: The Folklore of Computers and The Art of Thinking, by Theodore Roszak, will be published by Lutterworth Press on October 13, £12.95.

Events

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Electronic Point of Sale Exhibition, Barbican, London, October 7-10

DEC User Show, Barbican, London, October 14-16 (01-608 1161)

Computer Graphics Show, Wembley, London, October 16-18

General Practice Computer Exhibition — Medical computing, Forum Hall, Wythenshawe, Manchester, October 23-25 (021-525 8706)

Appleworld, Business Design Centre, Upper St.,London N1, October 29 - November 1st,(01-831 6262)

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COMPUTER HORIZONS/3

The hi-tech hysterics that hit Wall St

By Chris Naylor

Just under three weeks ago Wall Street collapsed with the worst one-day fall in the Stock Exchange in a quarter of a century. In that day the Dow Jones industrial average suffered its biggest one-day loss in terms of points since the 1929 Wall Street Crash, and by the next day the total fall for the week was the worst ever.

So dramatic was the collapse that Larry Speakes, the White House spokesman, was moved to words of reassurance and in Britain, where more than £4 billion was wiped off share values in the wake of this 1986-style Wall Street crash, Nigel Lawson was equally moved to stress there was no cause for panic.

Yet financial correspondents describing the events were sufficiently moved by the occasion to use words like "bloodbath", "thunderbolt" and, in one telling instance, "volatile".

It's that last word that may best describe what happened on the day. For the problem may just possibly have had rather more to do with the concept of hysteresis than hysterics.

Essentially, the important feature of the events was that a great deal of the huge selling was initiated and carried out entirely by computer, with some analysts claiming that up to 40 per cent of the day's record trading had been carried out this way.

In computer terms, this is not too hard a task — it's the sort of task that so-called expert systems can cope with. With sophisticated electronic trading seen as one way to get competitive in the City's financial deregulation next month, the way such systems work bears examination.

Expert systems are computer programs that embody the knowledge of a human expert and can be used to produce expert decisions automatically. At its simplest this might be no more than a system which had the "knowledge" to sell when prices fall in order to jump off the market if the going gets worse. Although, at its most complex, the expertise built in could be considerably more sophisticated than this.

But now to hysteresis which, as every engineer knows, is the delay between a cause of its effect and, by way of illustration, consider your central heating system.

A central heating system with a thermostat attached is a feedback system. The room temperature affects the thermostat and, when it detects a temperature fall below a certain point, that thermostat swiches on the central heating boiler. So, the fall in room temperature causes the boiler to switch on which, in turn, raises the room temperature until the altered feedback *from* the thermostat causes the boiler to switch off again.

But if your thermostat is set at a comfortable 20 degrees Centrigrade, exactly when should the thermostat switch the boiler on and off? For if it switches at exactly 20 degrees, the boiler will be switching on and off like a demented yo-yo. This demented switching is known by the technical term of chatter and is a direct consequence of a feedback system having a low hysteresis. That is to say, the effect follows too swiftly upon the cause.

In practice, room thermostats are designed to have a reasonable amount of hysteresis built into them so that the effect of turning on the boiler follows relatively slowly from a drop in room temperature and isn't initiated by just a slight draught.

So, back to our financial expert system. This is also a feedback system rather like domestic central heating. In its simplified form, when the price of some stock drops it unloads it on to the market. But it can do this much more rapidly than its human counterparts — which, of course, could bestow a greatly-desired commercial edge upon its owners.

'A demented central heating system'

The only snag is that the hysteresis of the expert system tends to be much less than the hysteresis of the human equivalent and, if the system has been set up to embody the currently human responses which are appropriate to their intrinsically lower hysteresis, then it could begin to act like a demented central heating system.

But there is one important difference between a central heating system and an expert system designed to work in the financial markets. A central heating system is based on the concept of negative feedback in which the act of turning on the boiler ultimately leads to a rise in room temperature which will eventually cause the boiler to turn off again.

The world's stock markets are in some measure systems based on positive feedback in which the act of selling initiated by price falls causes further price falls when then fed back into the system.

In short, expert systems working in the world's stock markets could embody such low hysteresis and such a large element of positive feedback that they could well begin to display a human characteristic which is hopefully not characteristic of the human expert — panic.

The events earlier this month could well have been a foretaste of that.

Screen deals: Up to 40 per cent of selling was initiated by computer during recent Stock Exchange falls

Why software is a major headache

By Alistair Guild

The integration of software packages is becoming a major headache for many data centre managers, according to a survey, just published, of more than 100 IBM MVS sites in five European countries.

The survey was carried out by the research consultancy IDC Europa on behalf of the American-based company Uccel, which claims that 85 per cent of all American IBM MVS data centres already use its software.

In Britain the figure is 50 per cent with customers including *major clearing* banks, the Stock Exchange, large insurance companies and British Airways.

The research, based on interviews with managers in the UK, West Germany, France, Holland and Italy, shows that data centre managers are particularly concerned about levels of support available and their ability to provide an acceptable service to their customer base.

Ian Cartwright, the managing director of Uccel Software Products, said large computer systems operate, on average, with five different software environments made up typically of three independent suppliers, IBM, and software the company has developed in-house.

This involves large amounts of training — in some cases different terminals are dedicated to each system — with the additional hardware costs.

"If the present trend in data processing operating costs in the US continues, it will exceed the American gross national product by the end of the century," claims Mr Cartwright.

The survey was commissioned to test the market in Europe for a new software package, Synova — which is intended to manage the use and operation of systems software in the data centre, irrespective of the supplier.

"Whereas in the past you might have required a number of terminals each dedicated to one piece of software now only one will be required. Data centres can integrate a variety of systems, software tools, and packages from different suppliers," said Mr Cartwright.

The product is also claimed to ensure that security procedures, which might vary between one software seller and another, are standardized and made more user friendly.

As part of the development programme, Uccel set up a security sub-committee within its user group with three members, the Bank of Scotland, the Leeds Permanent Building Society and Britoil.

"At present if someone wanted to have access to four different types of secured information he might have to go through four different security procedures."

With Synova costing a cool £50,000 a copy, the UK market could be worth £22 *million said Mr Cartwright.*

Small firms get a hand with the figures

The National Computing Centre's scheme to help businesses choose accounting software becomes operational this week. It should also help to improve the standard of packages in a field where where more than 2,000 programs are available.

While evaluation is not compulsory, the independent certificate and motif issued on software passing the National Computing Centre tests should offer a strong marketing advantage to successful software companies.

To set up the tests for the packages, the NCC worked closely with the Institute of *Chartered Accountants and* Customs and Excise in the preparation of the test procedures, work funded by £50,000 from the Department of Employment.

"The success or failure of computer systems can affect the survival of small businesses. The DoE was concerned about the potential job losses which could result from the wrong decision," said John Andrews, manager of NCC's micro systems centre.

Some 60 suppliers expressed interest in submitting their accounting software to the test procedure although NCC motifs will not be issued until March 1 next year, to ensure that no supplier has an unfair start.

Suppliers can also buy copies of the test procedures giving them the chance to iron out any weaknesses before submitting packages to the NCC for approval. They will cost *£750 with the DoE receiving* 7 per cent of the sale proceeds. The full evaluation of the less complicated packages is expected to take about four weeks and costs £4,000 — a cost to be born by the supplier.

Individual reports on each package will be available to suppliers, dealers and potential buyers at £15 and will also include a rating of packages from questionnaires completed by existing users.

"Data can be garbled when it's saved or garbled when it's printed out. Occasionally, even reputable suppliers when adding an extra feature to a package don't take into account the effect that can have on the basic software," said Mr Andrews.

The NCC is now interested in extending the service to *payroll packages. It has* completed a preliminary study and is waiting for confirmation from the Inland Revenue that it wishes to proceed. The Revenue wants to encourage users of computers to use payroll packages which produce more accurate returns.

Desktop publishing and the latest challenges to Apple

By Geof Wheelwright

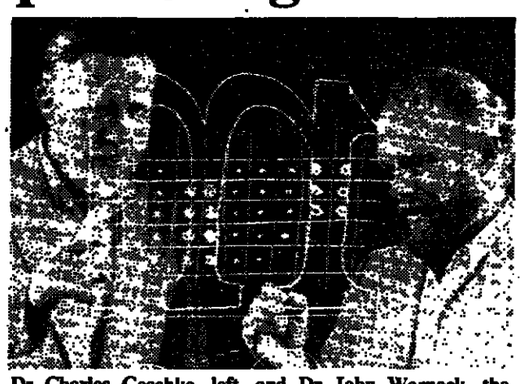
Apple's virtual monopoly of desktop publishing on micros has ended with the launch of several new programs to handle the task for the IBM PC and its workalike computers.

Aldus Pagemaker, the desktop publishing software program which helped to establish the Apple Macintosh as the leader in this field, is now available in a new version called PC Pagemaker. It uses the Windows picture-based operating system by Microsoft.

But it will not be without competition as Xerox is due to announce a program called Ventura Publisher from the California-based Ventura Software early next year.

Rather than simply allowing the putting together of pages electronically, it is more geared towards setting in type several pages at once, making it more suitable for typesetting books and technical journals.

Ventura Publisher uses the other major picture-based operating system for the IBM PC — Digital Research's GEM. In the meantime, Xerox announced its own office publishing system last week, the Documentor.



Dr Charles Geschke, left, and Dr John Warnock, the founders of Adobe Systems

The applications for this new breed of software are growing fast. Not surprisingly, some of the pioneering users *of desktop publishing systems* are themselves involved in the computer business.

Future Publishing, a Somerset-based company which produces a magazine about Amstrad's business computers, used a desktop publishing system to put together information of Amstrad's new PC only hours after its lunchtime announcement earlier this month.

A two-page article was ready for printing by 4pm — *almost unheard of* for a monthly magazine — and it then joined the rest of the 94-page magazine waiting on the presses. Finished copies were available at the Personal Computer World show at Olympia the following day.

Desktop publishing software is also changing the way books are produced. A Hertfordshire company called Prefis has been for the past year gaining something of a reputation for modernizing the book publishing business with a software package for the IBM PC called The Book Machine.

It allows remote communication with typesetting equipment, as well as the more conventional communication with laser-printing machines.

Next week the company is due to launch a system that will be able to handle pictures as well as text using a special graphics board plugged into IBM PCs or compatibles. It will cost about £12,000 including a computer, laser printer, video camera and possibly a picture scanner which compares with £5,000 for its text only system.

Last week Electronic Printing Systems announced Jetsetter, a £500 desktop publishing program that works on Hewlett-Packard's Vectra, and IBM and compatibles.

Corporate newsletters have also benefited from the technology. The London-based Cognita Software has sold its Newswriter software to several major London firms which use it to produce newsletters and reports.

Despite all the intense competition, there is one company almost guaranteed to make a fortune from desktop publishing. Adobe Systems makes a piece of software called Postscript that will feature in almost every major desktop publishing software package for the PC.

Postscript could make the California-based Adobe into the Microsoft of the desktop publishing world. Microsoft turned into a blue chip company at the heart of the PC establishment when its MS-DOS operating system became a standard on which the IBM PC and all its look-alike computers were based.

If a computer didn't run MS-DOS, then it wasn't PC-compatible.

Similarly, all the major laser printing systems and new photo-typesetters designed to work with PCs all use Postscript as the way in which the needs of the user are communicated via the computer to the laser printer or typesetting machine.

If someone designs a piece of desktop publishing software which doesn't use Postscript, they may find themselves cut off from many of the printing systems people would choose to use with it.

Liz Marie Bond, who heads the company's marketing operations, describes Postscript as the "strategic glue that's making desktop publishing all happen". She said Adobe is now looking at ways of broadening how their software is used.

While Postscript can provide quite acceptable results for desktop publishing packages using laser printer technology, it still doesn't have the depth of character definition required for high-quality typesetting work. But it is only a matter of time.

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A guide to career opportunities

Caring is a job with a future

Residential care is a demanding but fulfilling task, reports Joan Llewelyn Owens in this second of a series on finding employment in the public sector

For many years residential social work was regarded as a poor relation compared with fieldwork, and as a bit of a dead-end as a career. But now there is a good career structure for those who start with local authorities.

Opportunities exist to progress not only in residential care but within the social services in general.

Five or six years ago it might have been unusual for an officer in charge of a residential establishment to become a director of a local authority social services department. Today there are several directors whose original base was in residential care. One of the most recently appointed is David Lane, now director of social services at Wakefield.

Residential care is provided not only by local authorities and the probation service but also by national voluntary societies, local organizations and individuals.

National policy is to keep children out of care if possible and to transfer many people in hospitals and residential establishments into the care of the community. So there is less residential provision at present for children, while the big area of growth is in the care of the elderly who have no family or whose relatives cannot cope.

Anyone contemplating a career in the social services needs to be aware that establishments are having to deal with considerably more frail people than in

Major task is to retain their independence

the past and demands on staff can be colossal.

The job is not one of simple physical caring. It calls for considerable counselling skills and the ability to deal with some difficult situations.

Within one shift a social worker might be called on to face a death and the sadness it causes among other residents, and an admission, which is probably a traumatic experience for an elderly person who has had to leave her own home for strange surroundings.

People new to the service have to learn that one of their major tasks will be to maintain the dignity and independence of the people they are caring for. In some cases, the more active elderly will be living in sheltered housing, with a warden to call on in case of need.

Residential homes and hostels for adults include provision for the blind, deaf, physically handicapped, mentally impaired, mentally ill, and for people with social handicaps who find it difficult to fit into a more normal pattern of life.

Former prisoners and alcoholics may go to hostels or "half-way" houses until they feel they can adjust to ordinary life.

There are hostels and rehabilitation centres too for homeless families and for parents who need to learn how to care properly for their families. Some single mothers may be accommodated in mother-and-baby homes where they can live both before and after the birth.

Although fewer children may be taken into care, there is still a need for a number of residential establishments. These include reception centres where children are assessed and plans made for their future, nurseries for babies and young children, small family-type homes, and larger homes of which some cater for children with special needs.

Other children may be cared for on a permanent basis, but in many cases care is required only temporarily: perhaps a mother is ill or there is some other good reason for the parents being unable to look after them.

Some of these children, unhappily, will have been ill-treated by their parents, and as a result they may have behaviour problems. The job of the residential social worker with such children is very demanding. In a unit for adolescent youngsters who may have been rejected by their parents, there can be actual violence. Social workers have to learn to handle such situations and to provide the support these young people need.

Children who are deaf, blind, physically, mentally or emotionally handicapped may go to special boarding schools and homes, while those who are in trouble with the law or in need of care are provided for by community or probation homes and hostels.

In some cases senior members of staff live in or on the site and are probably given self-contained accommodation. However, being a residential social worker does not necessarily mean living in, though it probably involves some sleeping-in duties.

One cannot generalize about residential social work. At times it can entail rolling up your sleeves and doing even the most menial task. Some residents may need to be washed, dressed and fed. Others will be using the home or hostel as a hotel and going out to work each day and will need support of a different kind.

As explained earlier, opportunities occur for career progression to senior practitioner, assistant manager and manager of one or more units. An officer in charge of an establishment with perhaps 60 residents and 25 staff needs considerable management skills. Some residential social workers have training responsibilities. Others make the switch to fieldwork.

It is wise to test your motivation by taking a job as a care assistant or house parent before applying for a place on a course leading to a qualification in social work. Besides, the fact that you have this experience improves your chances of getting a place and being sponsored by an employer.

Useful practical experience can also be obtained by young people aged between 16 and 19 on a two-year full-time course leading to the Preliminary Certificate in Social Care. However, this merely gives evidence of interest and practical experience, and those intending to study for the Certificate of Qualification in Social Work (CQSW) should ensure that they have the necessary academic qualifications, too.

At present, qualified residential social workers either possess the CQSW, which is the professional qualification for all forms of social work, or the Certificate in

Trainees from widely differing backgrounds

Social Service (CSS). The CSS is designed for a variety of social services personnel, other than social workers; managerial, supervisory and care staff in residential and day services.

Training for the CQSW is open to people of widely differing backgrounds. For non-graduate courses the minimum age is 20 and applicants under 25 must have at least five O-levels. CSE Grade 1 or GCSE, including English. Some colleges ask for two A-levels.

For the CSS, candidates must be 18 or over and those under 21 need five O-levels. CSE Grade 1 or GCSE.

It's worth noting that the Council for Education and Training in Social Work intends to introduce a new single qualifying award in social work based on the CQSW and the CSS patterns of training. Training leading to this new award will last at least three years and will be introduced in the academic year 1990-91.

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COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Senior Accountant

S01/2 (£10,569-£12,297)

Promotion of the current post-holder to Chief Accountant has resulted in a vacancy for a Senior Accountant (Accounts). The duties include management of a small sub-section responsible for the accounting procedures, including the budgets for the G.R.F. serviced committees, the D.L.O. and Water Authorities' Agency work.

The post will provide an opening for an Accounting Technician/part qualified C.I.P.F.A. person to gain experience whilst living in delightful Cotswold surroundings. Generous relocation expenses paid.

For full details, application form and job specification, ring the Director of Finances' Secretary (Linda Powell) on 0285 5757 ext. 3301.

Closing date: 3rd October 1986.

Council Offices, Trinity Road, Cirencester, Glous. GL7 1PX.

REGISTRAR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Miss Maude Stoney, the Registrar and Chief Executive of the Central Council, has intimated that she will be retiring by no later than June 1987. The Central Council wishes to make an appointment as soon as possible.

This is a key post for the nursing, midwifery and health visiting professions and the successful candidate will face an exciting but challenging task in assisting the development of the professions regulated by the Central Council.

Applicants should have proven management experience at a senior level. A wide knowledge of the nursing, midwifery and health visiting professions and preferably experience or involvement in professional education and training will be expected.

The salary (the grade for which is under review) and the terms and conditions will reflect the responsibilities and importance attached to the post.

For further information about the appointment please write to Miss A C Emerton, Chairman, UKCC, 23 Portland Place, London W1N 3AF quoting reference RCE/1. Arrangements to discuss the post informally with Miss Emerton may be made by telephoning 01-637 7181 (Ext 266).

A full curriculum vitae outlining suitability for the post should be sent to Miss Emerton by no later than 14 November. Interviews will be held in London in December.

UNITED KINGDOM CENTRAL COUNCIL FOR NURSING, MIDWIFERY AND HEALTH VISITING

APPOINTMENT OF COURT CLERK ECCLES MAGISTRATES' COURT

Salary up to £12,039

Vacancies exist at Eccles Magistrates' Court for Court Clerks, and applications are invited from persons qualified as Solicitors or Barristers, including those who have recently passed their final qualifying examinations and are awaiting admission.

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The position of Court Clerk at Eccles offers a valuable opportunity to work closely with the lay judiciary and to gain legal and office skills. The Court is computerised and the successful applicant will have the opportunity to gain experience in this growing field. Applications should be submitted by the 13th October and should include details of relevant qualifications and experience and the names of two referees, including the applicant's present employer (if any).

Please reply to:-
A. J. Turner, LL.B.,
Clerk to the Justices,
Eccles Magistrates' Court,
The Court House, Irwell Place, Eccles,
Manchester. M30 0FN

FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATION MANAGER

St Mungo Housing is one of the most successful charities working for the homeless through the development and management of hostels in London. Rapid expansion means we have outgrown our administrative and financial systems and we now require an experienced professional to take over these functions.

The successful applicant will be an accountant with an administrative background who will be able to channel our energies and make the best use of the resources available to us. He/she will be a member of the senior staff team, will report to the Director and will attend management committee meetings.

Salary c.£17,000 pa.

Further details from:-

Patricia Hamill
St Mungo Housing
217 Harrow Road
London W2 5EH
Telephone 01-286 1358

Closing date for applications: 10 October 1986

St Mungo HOUSING

Working for London's Homeless

GRAMPIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PHYSICAL PLANNING

£18,414–£19,734

This post provides an outstanding opportunity to initiate and manage policy in one of the most challenging areas for strategic planning in the U.K. Extending from the coast to the Cairngorm Mountains, Grampian provides an attractive and stimulating work environment with a wide range of urban and rural planning issues, including the particular pressures resulting from offshore oil and gas.

Leading a team of nine the Assistant Director is responsible for structure planning and a wide range of associated areas of policy. Over the next two years the priorities of the post are likely to relate to promoting the effective implementation of policies in Grampian's two Structure Plans, developing the Council's strategic planning process and initiating and responding to the needs for policy development, including the corporate development of an economic strategy.

Apart from heading the Structure Plan Section the Assistant Director will be expected to make an active contribution to the management and development of the Department as a whole. He/She will need to demonstrate a proven management ability together with broadly based experience in policy development in a strategic and corporate planning context. The post requires considerable communication skills, with elected members, the general public and with officials of other Departments and outside bodies. Applicants should be RTPI members.

The Council provides an attractive relocation package including refund of removal expenses plus assistance, in appropriate cases, towards legal costs. Application forms and further details from Director of Manpower Services, Woodhill House, Aberdeen AB9 2LU. (Tel: 0224-682222, ext. 2274.) Closing date for applications 13th October 1986. Ref: 738/86G. Answfone service out of office hours tel. Aberdeen 682987.

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To apply please contact Stephen Wood, Personnel Department, Kensington Town Hall, London W8 7NX. Telephone 01-937 5464 Ext. 2167.

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ASHFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL

CHIEF ACCOUNTANT

(PO 36/39) £12,894-£14,100

Applications are invited from qualified Accountants to lead the General Accountancy section within the Finance department. This key post will form an important part of moves towards enhanced reporting and control procedures and the person appointed will, in addition to appropriate experience, have a high degree of motivation and initiative. Good communication skills and a practical knowledge of financial modelling using computers are also of importance.

Further details and application form can be obtained from the Personnel and Management Services Officer, Council Offices, Urban Road, Kirkby in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire. Telephone: Mansfield (0623) 755755 ext. 333 or call in at the Council's Information Offices at Kirkby in Ashfield, Sutton in Ashfield or Hucknall. Closing date: 6th October 1986.

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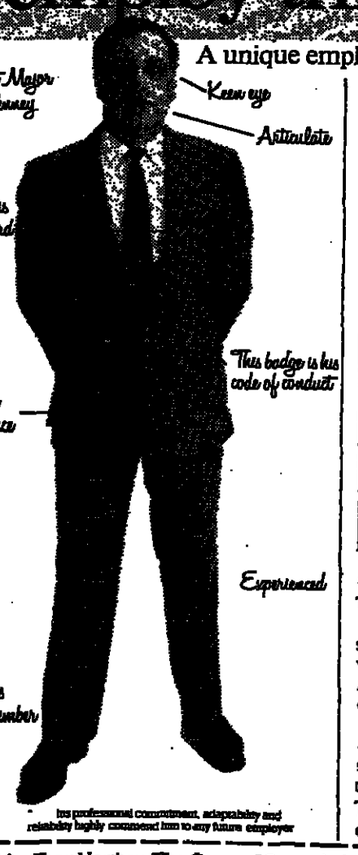

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COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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One of the posts is mainly concerned with demographic and housing matters and the other with local economic issues. Both are part of an intelligence and monitoring team that is responsible for providing sound, relevant and practical advice on policy issues.

The nature of this work offers considerable opportunities for career development.

A specific professional or academic background is less important than a proven ability to analyse complex issues and to communicate clearly.

For further details and application form tel. Pat Weller/David Parmiter on Lewes (0273) 475400, ext. 573 or write to Personnel Officer, Pelham House, St Andrews Lane, Lewes BN7 1UN.

Closing date: October 22.

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MANAGER– CARDIFF TATTOO

£16,000 p.a.

A Manager with a great deal of flair, marketing skills and co-ordinating ability is needed urgently for the efficient management and cost effective running of the Cardiff Searchlight Tattoo.

The responsibilities include marketing, publicity and public relations; sponsorship; budgetary control; liaison with the Army and other bodies; contracts; and supervision of production and venue arrangements.

The appointment is for one year contract initially, but this may be renewable for a further two years.

Application forms and further details may be obtained from the City Personnel Officer, City Hall, Cardiff, CF1 3ND, telephone (0222) 822290, to whom completed applications must be returned by 16th October 1986.

Cardiff City Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer and applications are welcomed from suitably qualified and/or experienced people regardless of sex, marital status, race, religion, colour or disability.

Oxford City Council

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HOUSING DEPARTMENT

PRINCIPAL FINANCE OFFICER

PO16 £13653 - £14862 per annum

A person with a strong financial background in Local Government or similar, preferably with experience in Housing is required to co-ordinate two teams involved in Finance and Property Systems.

The postholder will be responsible for the development and implementation of new financial systems relating to the new locally based housing service, with particular emphasis on extending the property data base and providing support for staff involved in capital and maintenance work.

Temporary housing accommodation may be available, subject to circumstances, and relocation expenses up to £2860 will be paid, if appropriate.

Job share applicants will be considered for this post.

Places in a nursery run by the St Thomas Day Nursery Association may be available for children aged 6 months to 5 years.

Application forms and further particulars available from the Personnel Officer, 35 Queen Street, Oxford, OX1 1EF. Telephone Oxford 249811 ext 465 or 361. Closing date: 17th October 1986. Applications are welcome from all regardless of gender, marital status, race, disability or sexual orientation.

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PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

The International Confederation of Midwives

Applications are invited for the post of Executive Secretary, which will become vacant at the end of 1986. The post is based at the London headquarters of the confederation.

Qualifications: A midwifery certificate/diploma, with additional evidence of experience and/or understanding of midwifery, preferably from a broad perspective.

Assets: Ability to work alone and plan schedules; objective, open approach to all aspects of maternal and child health, and midwifery education and practice; secretarial and administrative skills, including typing; high standard of oral and written communication skills in English; flexibility for occasional weekend work and occasional work abroad.

Initially, this post will be part-time (three to four days a week), increasing according to the needs of the confederation. Salary and employment contract to be negotiated with successful applicant.

Detailed job description available, on request, from the Executive Secretary, International Confederation of Midwives, 57 Lower Belgrave Street, London SW1W 0LR. Telephone (01) 730 6137.

Closing date: October 13 1986.

Plymouth Health Authority

Chief Internal Auditor

(£12,000 to £14,600 p.a. Scale 18)

We are a large and progressive Health Authority with a total annual turnover of around £80m, and following the promotion of the previous postholder, to a more senior position in our new management structure, we are seeking a Chief Internal Auditor to lead the various exciting developments we have in mind for our Internal Audit function. This is not only a key post in this Authority but it is also one with considerable management development and career potential.

Applications will be welcomed from persons with qualities of enthusiasm and innovation; and who possess, or will imminently obtain appropriate professional qualifications.

Application forms, job descriptions and further details may be obtained from the Director of Manpower, Plymouth Health Authority, 7 Nelson Gardens, Stoke, Plymouth PL1 5RH. Telephone: Plymouth (0752) 562552 ext 276.

The Director of Resources will be happy to discuss the post on Plymouth 793793.

Closing date for receipt of completed applications: 9th October 1986.

MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES COMMISSION

HEAD OF CONSERVATION UNIT

£15,683-£20,838

The Commission is seeking applications for the important new post of Head of the Conservation Unit.

At the invitation of the Minister for the Arts, a national Conservation Unit is to be set up, which will continue and develop the work begun by the Crafts Council's former Conservation Section. The Unit will assume an important role as a recognised centre of conservation knowledge, and will participate in the development and co-ordination of conservation policies. It will be responsible for providing and publishing information on conservation and conservators (including a central register), education and training, as well as administration of a conservation grants scheme.

Applicants for the post should hold a University Degree and/or equivalent qualifications in practical conservation work, and should be able to demonstrate substantial achievement in at least one field of conservation. Proven managerial and communication skills will be important in this post.

The post will be based at the Commission's Central London offices. Starting salary will be negotiable dependent on qualifications and experience.

Further details and application forms may be obtained from:

The Personnel Officer
Museums and Galleries Commission
7 St James's Square
London SW1Y 4JU

(Tel: 01-839 9340)

Closing date for applications: Monday 20 October 1986

Cheshire

PRINCIPAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING OFFICER

£16,011 - £17,916

CHESTER

The Central Training Unit is looking for an imaginative and experienced manager and human resource developer to join its small team in developing organisational strategies for the next decade. Reporting directly to Jeremy Taylor, the County Development & Training Officer, he/she will be required to manage the financial and administrative activities of the Central Training Unit. The prime focus of the job will be to provide a full consultancy and direct training service to all departments. The post holder will also need to develop the County's on-going technology training programmes and to take responsibility for trainer training. Opportunities will also be available to contribute to the County's supervisory and management development programmes, and to work closely with the Central Personnel Division. All applicants must possess a good honours degree, have I.T.D. or I.P.M. membership, and have had at least five years experience of developing the human resource at a senior level. We are looking for a resourceful and flexible individual and preferably a non-smoker!

For further details and an application form please contact the Administration & Resources Division County Secretariat, Cheshire County Council, County Hall, Chester CH1 1SF. Tel: Chester 602268. Closing date: 10th October 1986. All applicants will be considered on the basis of suitability for the post, regardless of sex, race, marital status, religion or disability.

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CHIEF HOUSING OFFICER

JNC for Chief Officers

£18,537-£20,385 Per Annum (Pay Award Pending)
Plus £1,155 Per Annum Travelling Allowance

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This key post is demanding but rewarding, and the Borough Council is committed to a caring Housing Policy.

The functions covered are:
Management and Motivation of 43 Officer Staff and 55 Manual Employees.
Lettings and Administration.
Sheltered Accommodation and Homeless Cases.
Client and DLO Responsibilities for Council Housing Maintenance.

Candidates will be professionally qualified (IOH preferred) and have several years experience at a senior management level, covering the duties above. The post forms part of the Council's Officers' Management Team and we shall be looking for the ability to contribute to the Corporate Management of the Authority.

A generous financial package is offered, in approved cases, to assist with relocation to the Borough, in this popular area of the South Dorset coast.

For an information pack and application form, please contact the Personnel Section, PO Box 21, Municipal Offices, North Quay, Weymouth DT4 8TA, or telephone Weymouth (0305) 785101 Ext. 316.
CLOSING DATE for receipt of completed application forms: Friday, 17th October, 1986.

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WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

RETIRED EXECUTIVES

Help the Aged is undertaking a major project with large commercial/industrial organisations to make Lifeline Emergency Alarms available in the homes of their needy pensioners.

We need the help of Retired Executives to discuss the project with the appropriate senior management and to seek through them their co-operation to improve the quality of life for their more needy and frail ex-employees.

Retired Senior Managers from industry, commerce or the professions are particularly welcome. You'll need an outgoing personality and good communications skills.

Whilst the work is voluntary, involving a couple of days a week, all expenses will be reimbursed. The real reward is the enormous job satisfaction of enabling frail elderly people to remain happily and more safely in their own homes, when otherwise they would probably be institutionalised.

We urgently require help in London and the Home Counties, the Bristol area, the North East and North West of England.

Please write, quoting ref. LCV, enclosing your cv if available to, Ian Adams, Help the Aged, St. James's Walk, London EC1R 0BE. Tel: 01-253 0253.

Help the Aged

TECHNICAL SERVICES MANAGER

St Mungo Housing, one of the most successful charities for the homeless in London, requires someone experienced in housing, development and administration to head its new technical services department.

St Mungo presently has 10 buildings in management and 7 more in development and a continuous programme of acquisition is envisaged.

The successful applicant will provide full management and technical support to the association in newbuild, rehab and the development and management of building. He/she will be a member of the senior staff team, will report to the Director and will attend management committee meetings.

Salary c.£16,500

Further details from:-

Patricia Hamill
St Mungo Housing
217 Harrow Road
London W2 5EH
Telephone 01-286 1358

Closing date for applications: 10 October 1986.

St Mungo HOUSING

Working for London's Homeless

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS

LITTLEWICK GREEN MAIDENHEAD

SOLICITOR

£28,720 - £30,765 Per Annum

Southern Electricity is one of the largest of twelve Area Electricity Boards in England and Wales, serving two and a quarter million customers in central Southern England.

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Candidates must be capable of leading and motivating a team of legal staff. The work will involve the giving of legal advice on all aspects of the Board's activities, including the handling of conveyancing transactions, the conduct of litigation in the High and County Courts, the prosecution and defence of proceedings in the Criminal Courts and the protection of the Board's interests in private legislation. The successful applicant will also be responsible for the conduct of cases before Industrial Tribunals, Public Local Enquiries and similar proceedings.

Knowledge of the legislation governing the Electricity Supply Industry and Employment Law will be an advantage.

Applications, on forms obtainable from Mrs P Polak (Telephone 0628-82-2166, Ext: 407) to be returned to the Secretary, Southern Electricity House, Littlewick Green, Maidenhead, Berks, SL6 3QB, endorsing the envelope 30/86, by not later than 17 October 1986.

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Alternatively, send full career details to him at: Austin Knight Selection, Knightway House, Band Lane, Egham, Surrey TW20 9NX quoting reference YS 100.

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LONDON WC1V 7HA

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Application forms may be obtained from Mrs. Yearl (Chesterfield 781711) and should be returned by 17th October 1986.

G.A. FOWLER
Clerk to the Magistrates' Courts Committee

P.O. Box 11,
The Court House,
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Chesterfield.
S40 1AE

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS

Solicitor
Middlesbrough-Teesside

On 1 January 1987, ICI is to merge four of its Divisions into a single business unit. The new ICI Chemicals and Polymers Group will have 38,000 employees and a turnover of around £3.5 billion in products ranging from bulk commodity chemicals to fertilisers, fibres and performance plastics.

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The personal skills for the post are enthusiasm, self-motivation and the ability to communicate at all levels of management. The confidence of client businesses must be secured by displaying effective participation as a member of a team and flexibility to adapt in a fast moving commercial environment.

The successful candidate is likely to be in his/her mid to late twenties with at least two years' post qualification experience, and commercial or industrial experience would be useful.

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Please send your c.v. to:'Mr P D Henry, Personnel Department, ICI Petrochemicals and Plastics Division, PO Box No 90, Wilton, Middlesbrough, Cleveland TS6 8JE. Tel (0642) 432127.

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Cambridge

We are leading suppliers of professional audio, communications and electronic security systems and require an experienced Contracts Manager aged 25-45, with either a degree in law or Business Studies, and with at least 3 years experience in commerce or industry, preferably associated with electronics.

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Dated this 18th day of September 1986

D SWADEN LIQUIDATOR

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Dated the 19th day of September 1986

G.G. BETTS DIRECTOR

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The Companies Act, 1985

I, Raymond Hocking, Certified Accountant, of Messrs Stoy Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London W1M 1DA, give notice that I was appointed Liquidator in the above matter on 1H June 1986. All debts and claims should be sent to me at the above address.

R. HOCKING LIQUIDATOR

COMPANY NOTICES

GN Great Nordic Ltd. and GN Great Nordic Holding Ltd. HALF-YEAR STATEMENT 1986

The GN Great Nordic Group's net profit for the first half of 1986 after minority shares and tax was 38.3 mill. DKK. against 50 mill. DKK for the first half of 1985. The result is in line with the expectations expressed at the Company's general meeting in May this year.

Group turnover increased by 8% to 1.3 thousand mill. DKK, primarily due to progress on the export markets.

Extraordinary items contributed approximately 41 mill. DKK to the result (25 mill. DKK in 1985) while the estimated tax liability of 19 mill. DKK is similar to last year's.

The half-year result was greatly affected by losses in business areas that are being disposed of or wound up and by an unexpected heavy loss in GN Danavox because of a very negative development in its US subsidiary and extraordinarily large costs in connection with a re-organisation of the production process.

GN Danavox is now carrying out a number of structural changes and improving management effectiveness in order to better exploit the potential within the hearing-aid industry.

GN Hellesens has sold its marketing subsidiaries in the Nordic countries to the international battery group Duracell which has a solid position on the world consumer market for batteries. From its factory at Thisted and its lithium plant at Koge both in Denmark, the company will concentrate entirely on the development and production of technologically advanced batteries for civilian and military purposes.

GN Netcom has made an agreement to dispose of its activities within office automation to Olivetti. GN Netcom will now concentrate on the development and sale of the filing system ODIN (Office Document Information System) and communication systems, and an ESPRIT project for the EEC.

The Telecommunications Division is affected by falling traffic revenue from the North Atlantic cable systems and, in addition, is being burdened with many expenses in connection with the expansion of the activities within GN Cityiel.

The other Group companies recorded positive results for the half-year and expect results for the whole year to be better than those achieved in 1985. Also the second half of the year will incur a number of expenses in connection with winding up activities and changing structures, especially in GN Danavox and GN Netcom and it must be foreseen that the ordinary result for the whole year will be lower than the year before.

A present estimate of the extraordinary income and expenditure gives reason to expect the net profit after minority interests and tax to reach approximately the same level as the previous year.

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The America's Cup begins next Sunday: 19 yachts, 65 feet or so long, each with a crew of 11, and representing seven countries, compete in up to 751 races to decide the destiny of a small silver ewer that is the symbol of supremacy. In the first of three reports from Fremantle, David Miller, chief sports correspondent, assesses the British challenge

The telephone rings in the Portakabin office at the dockside headquarters of one of the 17 America's Cup syndicates crowded around the three yacht harbours. A slightly dishevelled, academic-looking man with beard and spectacles answers: "Stonehenge, duty druid speaking."

Andrew Spedding, otherwise known as Spud, ex-naval engineer and operations manager of Britain's White Horse Crusader challenge, gives to the *Royal* Thames' campaign that iconoclastic attitude to formality which helps reduce the hyper-tension of this £200 million sporting event to a tolerable level.

Although the bustling compound may superficially have the mood of that fictional RAF station *immortalized on* radio by Richard Murdoch and Kenneth Horne in *Much Binding In The Marsh*, Spedding has shrewdly helped create an almost unspoken code of voluntary discipline and collaboration between crew, riggers and administration which is sailing on a harmonious broad reach five days before the start of racing.

In what is about to become, I believe, one of the world's major sporting events after the Olympic Games and the World Cup for football, the British have a realistic chance of recapturing the trophy they inaugurated, and lost, in 1851.

There is a buzz of expectation throughout Perth and Fremantle, this geographically-isolated pearl of civilization gently carved along the elegant shores of the Swan River estuary, which is seldom experienced in sport. It is as *though there were going to* be a succession of heavyweight world title fights every other day for four months, or the greatest Olympian runners were to be given the stamina to race each other again and again.

The difference is that here we have an amalgam of million-dollar machines aerodynamically more elaborate than jet aircraft, human crews who are tougher than international oarsmen, and the imponderable of the wind: the whole more complex than the Formula One Grand Prix.

Fremantle, which a few years ago had become a small, declining port about the size of Newhaven, where passengers on eastward-bound cruise-liners seldom bothered to go ashore, has reacted in a way few believed likely when, three years ago last Friday, Australia II defeated Liberty to end the longest winning streak in sport.

Many a yachting sage thought it would prove the end of the America's Cup as it had been known in historic Newport, Rhode Island. Some of us present suspected that the breaking of the mould could be the making of the tournament's public appeal, freeing it from restraining tradition and stifling the United States' domination of a rich, minority sport.

There has, indeed, been an *explosion of interest*: and what is so spectacular is that even the six American syndicates here attempting to regain the Cup admit that Fremantle is giving qualities to the event, ashore and afloat, that Newport never had.

"Newport was the fun area of a powerful nation, and I didn't think Fremantle could attract such people", Harold Cudmore, the Crusader skipper, says. "Yet the fun has held sufficient influence, so there is more of a yachting enthusiasm than ever. I misjudged it."

Television rights sold to every competing nation except Canada, and additionally to Japan — the negotiations handled less than satisfactorily by IMG, guarantee exposure unprecedented for yachting.

The racecourse lies just beyond the harbour wall, so to speak, instead of an hour's tow away: the regular 24.3-mile course is tightened from six legs to eight, increasing spectator interest for the 500 who will pay $400 a day on a floating grandstand, the 1,400 with a $160 view from an ocean liner, and the thousands in smaller craft. Half a million Australians and foreign tourists are expected over the five months upto the final. Should *New Zealand reach the* challenge round, they will be turning the lights out in Auckland and Wellington as the whole nation crosses the water to be here.

The shore facilities are exceptional. Angus Melrose, Crusader's sail designer, and his seven sail-makers have the largest loft in Australia, 50 yards from the dock. The recent Guinness sponsorship means that Melrose can spend £250,000 on new sails for the first series of 12 races, perhaps £750,000 on the whole campaign. Sails cost up to £15,000 and last no more than 60 hours. To win the Cup, 57 races of some four hours each may be necessary.

"We're ready to release the brakes," Phil Crebbin says. He is the technical director who has evaluated the computer design programme with Melrose and Ian Howlett, the creator of Victory '83 and now of Crusader I.

Fremantle is developing almost in front of your eyes. The neo-gothic buildings, legacy of the gold-rush boom 90 years ago, are being refurbished. The state and federal government have invested 70 million in roads, car-parks, airport expansion, the media centre and the newest of the three yacht harbours. Private money has renovated the old colonial-style seafront hotel here, and, with Perth, there are now more five-star hotels than in any other Australian city, including the new £150 million Casino Hotel where 2,000 *gamblers nightly part with* their money more readily than syndicate sponsors.

Italian immigrants who comprise 40 per cent of Fremantle's population welcome the event rather more than the middle-class "brown-rice and sandals" brigade from *Perth who began the* gentrification of the decaying suburb 15 years ago and vociferously oppose the Cup. The cash registers at Lombardo's, Cicerello's, Papa Luigi's and dozens of new watering holes enticing the visitor will be ringing more enthusiastically even than the sound of the possible 751 starting guns.

The British, conveniently under-rated in spite of their impressive tally of 12 victories to two defeats in unofficial races against various opposition over the past two weeks, cannot wait for the start.

The Crusader camp all say, independently, that the campaign *has so far* progressed better than could have been hoped. On the platform of *Peter de Savary's adventurous* but erratic attempt in 1983 which was torn by internal disagreements, Graham Walker, the present syndicate chairman, and Cudmore have built a compact unit, learning from previous errors.

Most of the '83 crew and shore team have been reassembled — less the controversial helmsman Lawrie Smith — with Cudmore and Crebbin, both sacked by de Savary, and Spedding now the key figures.

"They're going well," says Warren Jones, the executive director for Alan Bond, Australia's veteran campaigner. "They have a fast boat, and they've been around. They've got some scars to prove it. Howlett's boat last time was marvellous, and forced us into improvements which were significant when we beat Liberty. De Savary, a super bloke, had got his act wrong."

Cudmore identified the problems. With the keel, the crew, the sails and the mast all unbalanced *in '83, something* had to be right for such relative success. "It was the *hull*," he says. "So I persuaded Howlett to join us if he would work in collaboration *with Crebbin's technical* input".

The product has been an all-round development of Ben Lexcen's then radical Australia II, which Crusader I has recently regularly outpaced. "It's unlikely that heavy-weather boats will be better at *match racing in tacking and* turning," Crebbin says.

Robert Hopkins, an American consultant last time to de Savary and now working with the defeated Denis Conner, agrees: "You want your peak [hull] to be down the centre line of the average breeze [15-20 knots] *and make the performance* envelope as wide as possible". Crebbin thinks they have achieved this.

Cudmore's other priority was to persuade Chris Law, ten years younger and his main British helming rival, to give up a prosperous career *and take his chance in the* campaign: without guarantee.

"It's a high risk to enlist an aggressive stranger," Cudmore says. Law was willing, and spent the Australian winter, under Cudmore's direction, testing Crusader I in 40-knot winds where two-ton loads stretched *half-inch steel* genoa u-boat shackles like string.

"That's where the 'people' factor was created," Law says, "and the confidence that we're going to win it. Only two weeks ago was I told by Harry that I was in. 'It's you and me', he said. If it comes down to match racing more than boats, we'll be strong".

The British have probably more collective match racing experience and ability than any boat other than Conner's: and his boat's ability is uncertain. Eddie Warden *Owen*, who forms the after-guard with Cudmore and Law, has maybe more *talent than any* one, Cudmore says.

"*The British* always have the talent, but so rarely the ability to use it," Cudmore says. "To do that, you have to get pride and ego out of the way and get to the real issues; to have an equality between officers and men the way you have in the SAS".

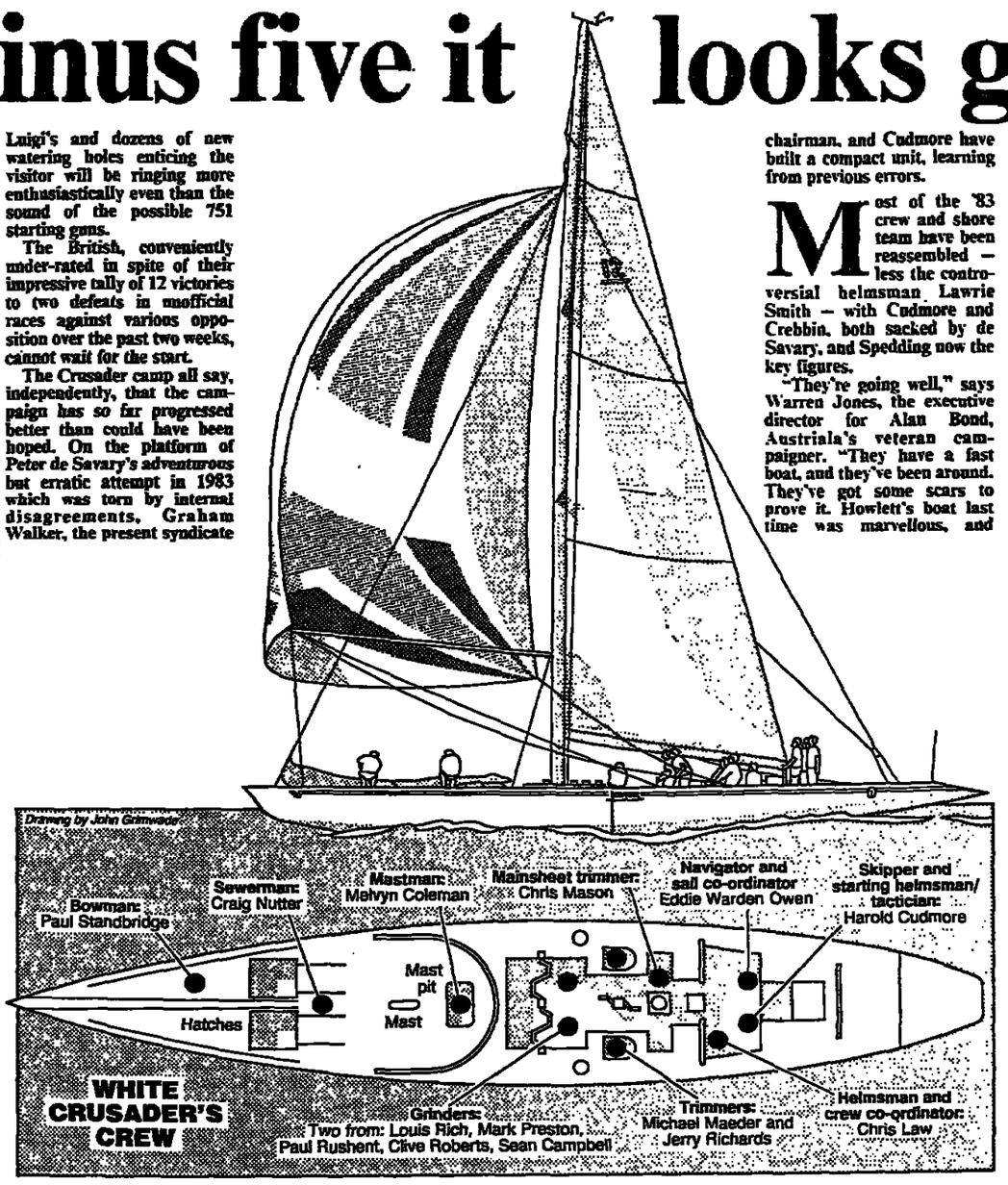
The analogy is not inappropriate. The 11 men in a 12-metre operate in extremes of mental and physical tension, responding simultaneously to instinct, experience and complex instruments. Spedding has in the briefing room a mock stressometer dial, with Cudmore's face and an arm pointing to a tension gradation from Asleep to PTH (plane ticket home).

"We've come along way, but there's far to go. We'll have a *better idea in December of* resilience to pressure," Spedding says.

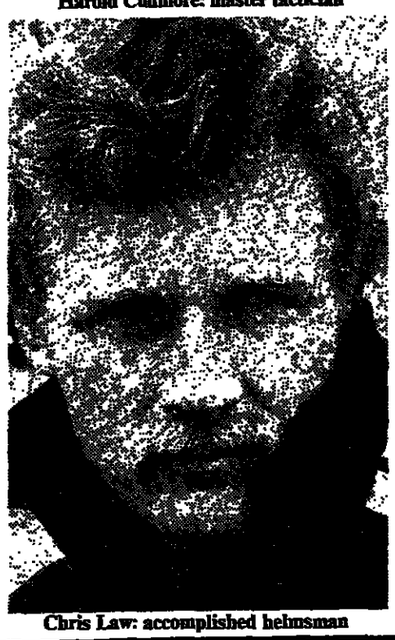
His contributions include not only a scientific eye for mast balance, weight and alignment, but *the reduction of* the work force from de Savary's 108 to the present lean 35, *comparable to* Australia's winning team in Newport.

"I'd like to think", he says reflectively, "that next February we could have an Ashes series on water".

TOMORROW: the other challengers



Harold Cudmore: master tactician


Chris Law: accomplished helmsman

Teamwork will be the key to success for Cudmore and his crew

Barry Pickthall on the men behind the British challenge

Heading Britain's challenge on the water is Harold Cudmore, a 42-year-old Irishman and winner of 10 international match-race championships, including the this year's premier Congressional Cup — which made him the first non-American to win the series.

In an effort to compromise the opposing crew before the gun fires, Cudmore will have a hand on the helm during the vital chess-like pre-start manoeuvres. But once the 10-minute starting sequence is complete, he will hand over to Chris Law, the 34-year-old helmsman and crew co-ordinator, and assume, instead, the role of tactician.

The task for Law, a former Finn Gold Cup champion and representative for Britain at the last four Olympics, is to keep White Crusader sailing at maximum speed, while Cudmore calls the shots.

The navigator and sail co-ordinator is Eddie Warden Owen, aged 36. A sailmaker from Fareham in Hampshire, he first made a name for himself in the GP14 dinghy class.

With countless national and international titles to his credit, Warden Owen — who steered Indulgence, owned by Graham Walker, the syndicate head, to victory in this year's three-quarter ton Cup — was a contender for the job of helmsman.

The task of balancing the power generated by the sail against the weight on the helm falls to the mainsheet trimmer, Chris Mason. Another *sailmaker by trade, the 28-year-*old from Lymington, Hampshire, had the same role aboard Peter de Savary's 1983 challenger, Victory '83.

The two headsail/spinnaker trimmers to make the crew are the 36-year-old Swiss national, Michel Maeder, and Jerry Richards — who crewed aboard Chris Law's Soling keelboat at the *1984 Los Angeles Olympics.* Maeder, who gained his status as a British resident by living on the Isle of Wight for two years, has teamed up with Cudmore on many occasions in past SORC, Lymington Cup and Australian PBS events, as well as this year's Congressional Cup.

The two grinders aboard are the human powerhouses that must sweat over the primary winches, grinding in the five-ton loading on the genoa within six to eight seconds each time the yacht tacks — repeating the task as many as 40 times during tacking duels on each of the four windward legs.

With more than 30 races during the early selection trials, Cudmore has selected five heavyweights for his squad. Mark Preston, at 26, is a veteran from the Victory '83 challenge, *while Louis Rich*, aged 28, is a good all-rounder, having served his apprenticeship on Kialoa, Jim Kilroy's famed American maxi-yacht.

The Olympic oarsman Sean Campbell was introduced to the crew *through the a winch*-grinder contest, held earlier this year, to find fresh heavyweight talent. He was recruited along with Paul Rushent, a 23-year-old electrician from Maidenhead, in Berkshire, who had no *previous yachting experience* before joining the team at Fremantle in May.

The fifth member of the squad is Clive Roberts, a 28-year-old Londoner who, like Campbell, has built up his strength and stamina in the world of rowing, a sport in which he has been winning gold medals since 1978.

The task of "sewerman" goes to Craig Nutter, a 27-year-old Scotsman. His job is to pass up the sails from inside the boat and quickly re-pack them after use ready for their immediate recall.

The job of mastman goes to another Fareham man, 24-year-old Melvyn Coleman, whose job is to hoist and lower the sails as well as climb the rig in the event *of problems aloft.* He will also be working closely with Paul Standbridge, the bowman, to have spinnakers hoisted and set within 10 seconds of rounding the windward mark.

Standbridge, who has the *agility of a monkey* and, seemingly, a total disregard for his own well-being when working on the wave-washed narrow foredeck, came to the syndicate after proving his ability aboard the South African maxi, Atlantic *Privateer, during* the last Whitbread round-the-world race.

Heading the syndicate is Graham Walker, a self-made millionaire from Jersey and director of the Argyll Group. A *successful yachtsman in his own* right, he captained the British Admiral's Cup and Southern Cross Cup teams in 1983, and his yacht, Phoenix, finished top individual points scorer in the 1985 Admiral's Cup.

Chief executive of the British challenge is David Arnold, an accomplished businessman and navigator, who was also a member this year of Walker's winning crew aboard Indulgence.

Phil Crebbin, one of Peter de Savary's skippers during the 1983 challenge, is technical director. His job has been to oversee the research, development and construction of the syndicate's two 12-metre yachts. A systems analyst and computer consultant by trade, he is also an accomplished match-racing helmsman and well qualified to *step aboard as helmsman*, navigator, or skipper

● CORRECTION: In yesterday's *paper we incorrectly* described the scientist, Herbert Pearcey, as Sir Herbert Pearcey. We apologize for any embarrassment this may have caused.

Clive Roberts: strength and stamina

ICE HOCKEY

Plundering Pirates

By Norman de Mesquita

While football suffers from a dearth of goals, there is a danger that ice hockey supporters will become sated. In 12 Norwich Union Cup games at the weekend 239 goals were scored, with the 20-14 win by **Peterborough Pirates** at **Sunderland** setting a competition record for aggregate goals.

Spare a thought for Scott Mills and Barry Olson, each of whom scored 10 points for Sunderland and finished on the losing side. Garry Unger scored six of the Peterborough goals and Todd Bidner three. These two will obviously be a force to be reckoned with in the first division of the Heineken British League.

While **Lee Valley Lions** had an easy 7-4 win over **Oxford** in their opening first division fixture, this was put into perspective *when* **Slough Jets**, the newcomers, won 15-1 at Oxford and Lions were outclassed at **Streatham**. Craig Melancon led the **Redskins'** scoring with eight goals and six assists, but it was four goals in three minutes by Mike Rocchio, *the defenceman*, that set them on their way after six goals were shared in the first period.

The most productive individual, however, was Rick Fera, who had eight goals and eight assists in *Murrayfield's 19-3 win* at **Glasgow Eagles**.

The latest on the Mark *Pavelich saga is that* the former US Olympic and New York Rangers centre is crossing the Atlantic this week in an attempt to sort out his contract difficulties.

Meanwhile, **Dundee Rockets** struggle, going down 6-5 at home to Murrayfield for their third loss in four games. But **Fife Flyers** have now won five out of five and **Durham Wasps** four out of four. These two seem to be moving inexorably towards November's Norwich Union Cup final.

RESULTS: Norwich Union Cup: Cleveland Bombers 9, Whitley Warriors 6; Fife Flyers 11, Ayr Bruins 5; Glasgow Eagles 3, Murrayfield Racers 19; Nottingham Panthers 6, Streatham Redskins 5; Sunderland Chiefs 14, Peterborough Pirates 20; Telford Tigers 13, Solihull Barons 6; Ayr Bruins 20, Glasgow Eagles 6; Dundee Rockets 5, Murrayfield Racers 6; Durham Wasps 24, Sunderland Chiefs 1; Solihull Barons 8, Nottingham Panthers 6; Streatham Redskins 17, Lee Valley Lions 5; Whitley Warriors 14, Peterborough Pirates 11

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AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Dolphins battling to stay afloat

New York (AP) — The **Miami Dolphins** continued to struggle in the US National Football League on Sunday on a day that featured an upset of the **Los Angeles Rams**, and a scare for the **New York *Giants***.

Dan Marino, the millionaire quarterback who signed a lucrative, long-term contract earlier this year, threw four interceptions as the Dolphins lost 31-16 to **San Francisco**. The defeat was the third in four games for the Dolphins, their worst start since 1969, the year before Don Shula became coach.

The Rams lost to unrated **Philadelphia Eagles**, giving Buddy Ryan his first victory as a head coach. Ron Jaworski's, the quarterback, made three touchdown passes, and the Eagles defence managed to stop the NFL "rushing" leader, Eric Dickerson.

In the New York Giants v **New Orleans Saints** match, Phil Simms threw a four-yard touchdown pass to the tight end, Zeke Mowatt, with 8min 03sec to play as the Giants rallied from a 17-point first-half deficit to win. George Rogers rushed for 115 yards, and two touchdowns to lead undefeated Washington to victory over the previously-unbeaten **Seattle**. Rogers' second score, from seven yards out, gave Washington a 16-7 lead late in the third quarter. The run capped a 74-yard drive.

A previously-sluggish **Chicago Bears** offence produced its most productive performance of the season. The Bears roured the **Bengals** in a style reminiscent of their 1985 Super Bowl season, using McMahon's leadership to cash in on five interceptions by their hard-tackling linebackers and defensive secondary.

Tommy Kramer, who was replaced early in the second half after his sixth touchdown, threw two scoring passes each to Steve Jordan and Hassan Jones and one each to Darrin Nelson and Mike Mularkey as the **Vikings** beat **Packers** 42-7.

Nick Lowery kicked a 46-yard field goal with 1:07 left to give **Kansas City** victory over **Buffalo**, and Pittsburgh's Rick Woods returned a punt 41 yards to set up Walter Abercrombie's three-yard touchdown run that gave the **Pittsburg Steelers** their victory over **Houston Oilers**.

In Denver, Sammy Winder and Gerald Willhite scored touchdowns as the **Broncos** smothered **New England Patriots** in the second half, rallying from 13-3 at half-time. The Broncos scored on four of their five possessions in the second half.

Pat Leahy, of the **New York Jets**, scored four field goals to extend his string of successful attempts to 19 in a row, the third-longest in NFL history, as *the Jets beat Indianapolis. They* survived four turnovers, then halted three Indianapolis drives in the second half by forcing the 0-4 Colts to turn the ball over each time.

Marc Wilson threw two touchdown passes in a span of 41 seconds to take **Los Angeles Raiders** to their first win of the season, over **San Diego**. The Raiders, playing without their tailback Marcus Allen, won *despite turning the ball over five* times.

Mick Luckhurst's third field goal of the game, a 34-yarder 12min 35sec into overtime, lifted **Atlanta Falcons** over **Tampa Bay Buccaneers**.

Results and tables

Kansas City Chiefs 20, Buffalo Bills 17; Chicago Bears 44, Cincinnati Bengals 7; Cleveland Browns 24, Detroit Lions 21; (OT) Pittsburgh Steelers 22, Houston Oilers 16; San Francisco 49ers 31, Miami Dolphins 16; New York Giants 20, New Orleans Saints 17; Philadelphia Eagles 34, Los Angeles Rams 20; Washington Redskins 19, Seattle Mariners 14; Denver Broncos 27, New England Patriots 20; New York Jets 26, Indianapolis Colts 7; Los Angeles Raiders 17, San Diego Chargers 13 (OT); Atlanta Falcons 23, Tampa Bay Buccaneers 20.					
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Minnesota Vikings	3	1	.750	105	37
Detroit Lions	1	3	.250	61	89
Tampa Bay	1	3	.250	61	97
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BASKETBALL

Casualties in cup

By Nicholas Harling

The first round of the Prudential National Cup produced its share of casualties at the weekend. The elimination of **Reg Vardy Sunderland** by the second division side **Oldham Celtics** was one but altogether more serious was the fearsome knock suffered by Bob Martin of **HomeSpare Bolton**.

Martin swallowed his tongue in the game at **Derby**, where but for the swift intervention of Bolton's new American, Rod Kittles, his injury could have been fatal. Martin, a dual national and veteran of the *National League, hit his head on* the floor and was knocked unconscious after falling awkwardly following a charge by Ed Coe, Derby's new American.

The game was held up for 20 minutes while Martin was rushed to the city's Royal Infirmary where he was later discharged. X-rays having shown that there was no damage to his jaw or skull. The accident knocked the heart out of Bolton, who succumbed 87-82.

All the cup games went to form with the exception of that at Sunderland, who can also blame their 93-85 defeat by Oldham on injuries to their two Americans. Jim Brandon is out with a ricked back and Greg McGray was so troubled by a sprained left knee that he was used sparingly.

"Oldham are a decent side but in normal circumstances, even without Brandon, I would have hoped to have beaten them," Dave Elderkin, the Sunderland coach, said. "Having to play without Brandon is like Kingston having to do without Steve Bontrager."

Never was a truer word said with more immaculate timing. Bontrager, who began with a flurry of three-point shots in the opening minutes, was the inspiration behind **Kingston's** 106-97 success in overtime at **Portsmouth**, in the only first division game. He finished with 40 points and Portsmouth, who had pulled back a 14-point deficit in the last 17 minutes, finished up having five players fouled out.

Among them was Tatham, who after *sinking two spectacu*lar three-pointers in the last minute to help bring Portsmouth level, also incurred a technical foul for dissent. A further technical was incurred by Dan Lloyd, the coach, for a *remark made from the bench by* Irish after he, too, had been fouled out after scoring 32 points.

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The top-rated horse, the one with the highest number, for each race is highlighted with a blob.

***The Times* private handicapper's considered top rating of the day will appear in the selections panel.**

Another innovation for the main meetings is the transfer of the approximate starting price odds for the leading horses from beneath the race to the end of each line.

The list of leading course specialists has been expanded to include the top six trainers and jockeys and is incorporated in the relevant programme.

A guide to our new-style racecards can be found at the top of the Goodwood programme, listing the symbols.

RACING: CONDITIONS PERFECT FOR COLE'S COLT TO RETURN TO WINNING FORM IN GOODWOOD FEATURE

Nomrood can underline strength of classic crop

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

On what is expected to be perfect ground. **Nomrood** is taken to win the Foundation Stakes at Goodwood today in the hands of Richard Quinn, who is enjoying such a fine season as Paul Cole's first jockey.

My selection was in form at this stage of the season last year when he won at Newmarket before finishing second in the William Hill Futurity at Doncaster.

Nomrood also began this season where he left off last by finishing in the first two in his first two races. He started by winning the Chester Vase and then he put up another fine performance at York where he was runner-up to Shahrastani in the Mecca-Dante Stakes at York.

Those performances naturally led to a crack at the Derby in which he ran well up to a point, that point being two furlongs from home. It is logical to assume that Nomrood is best suited to races around a mile and a quarter which happens to be the distance of today's race.

His only subsequent race involved a trip to France for the Prix Eugene Adam at Saint-Cloud midway through July. But unfortunately that venture turned out to be a flop.

However, following a rest Nomrood is now revitalised and expected to draw further attention to the overall excellence of the current classic crop by beating his six opponents this afternoon.

Those who have already backed Dallas to win Saturday's Cambridgeshire will be looking to both Chinoiserie and Rackstraw to provide a pointer. Chinoiserie, who won the Extel Stakes over today's course and distance at the big meeting, is a stable and galloping companion of Dallas, while Rackstraw just managed to finish in front of him when Dallas made his long-awaited reappearance at Goodwood early this month. On that occasion they were both put firmly in their place by Ininsky.

Kufuma and Samarid recently finished second and fifth, respectively, behind My Generation at Leopardstown in Ireland. Now Samarid has a 6lb pull for a length beating.

No matter how he gets on with Kufuma, Pat Eddery can take three more strides to what looks like being his fifth jockeys' championship after an eight-year gap by landing a treble on **Harlestone Lake** (3.0), ***Gilberto*** (4.30) and **Paleface** (5.0).

Of the three, Gilberto has by far and away the easiest task in the Solent Stakes. Last time at Doncaster he was unfortunate to come up against the highly regarded newcomer Ajdal, who has subsequently been installed as favourite for next year's 2,000 Guineas following another enormously impressive win at Ascot last Friday. It will be surprising, indeed, if Gilberto has an opponent of that calibre this time.

In contrast, his stable companion Harlestone Lake has a much tougher task in the Ajax Engineering Insurance Stakes, run over 2 miles and 3 furlongs.

But the one thing that John Dunlop's filly does not lack is the stamina to succeed over this marathon distance.

Indeed, the way that she ran away from Tugboat, who is no mean stayer himself, over 2½ miles in Ostend in August suggested to me that she could easily be capable of upsetting another Cesarewitch hope, Withy Bank, not to mention the course and distance winner Accuracy and Actinium.

As for Paleface, he looks precisely the type to benefit from the champion elect's drive in the Kinrara Nursery.

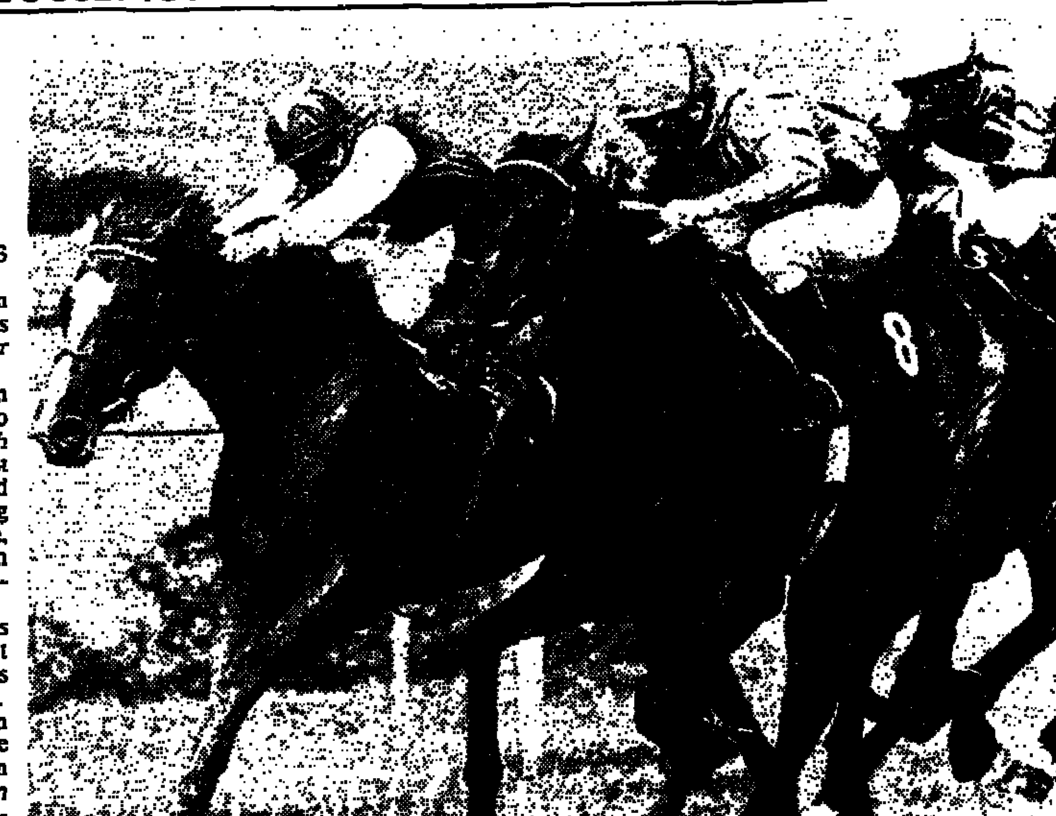
For the day's best bet, I'm relying on **So Kind** to land the nap in the Carlton Maiden Fillies' Stakes at Nottingham where **John Dorey** (3.0), **Copper Red** (4.0) and **Roumeli** (5.0) are my other principal fancies.

Having recently run so well in the Firth of Clyde Stakes at Ayr where she was beaten only two lengths by Linda's Magic, and that after having anything but a good run, So Kind should benefit from a drop in class in the Carlton Maiden Fillies' Stakes.

Blinkered first time

GOODWOOD: 2.30 Bold Indian. 3.0 Italian Sunrise. 4.0 Moore Brass.
NOTTINGHAM: 2.30 Culinary, Lily's Double. 5.0 Highland Laird.
HAMILTON: 4.15 Nipknowes.

● Kim Bailey, the Berkshire trainer, made the long trip to Carlisle pay off yesterday with a double from Stubbs Daughter and Mr Frisk. It was Bailey's first visit to the Cumbrian course



Chinoiserie (right), seen here beating Sweet Mover in the Extel Stakes, returns to Goodwood for the Foundation Stakes

Eddery works hard on Native Dress

Pat Eddery, who brought up his 160th winner for the season with a double at Ascot on Saturday, continued in top form at Goodwood yesterday, taking the first race, the Hat Hill Maiden Stakes, on Native Dress.

But the leading jockey had to work hard to get the 7-4 favourite home in a triple photo finish.

Eddery had Native Dress in the front rank right from the start and seemed to have the situation under complete control as he took a clear advantage just inside the two furlong marker, but suddenly they all began to close again in the last 100 yards, and at the post Native Dress was victorious by only a neck.

Native Dress had run green on his debut here a fortnight ago and Eddery reported that the colt is still rather green and ran lazily once he struck the front.

Native Dress was the 45th winner of the season for Ian Balding, and this took the Kingsclere trainer past the £250,000-mark in winning prize money.

Rotherfield Greys, medium of a morning gamble from 14-1 to 7-1, made light of top weight in the Portsmouth Football club Handicap to land a nice touch

Trained until seven weeks ago by Chris Bell, who has since handed in his licence, Rotherfield Greys was running for the first time for the Newmarket trainer Tony Hide.

When with Bell, Rotherfield Greys had struck up a fine partnership with the 7lb-claimer Jonathan Leech, who scored his first three victories all on this horse. Leech must have feared losing the mount when the gelding changed stables, but Hide decided that as the 18-year-old had ridden him so well in the past he should keep the mount.

Leech justified the decision by producing Rotherfield Greys to strike the front just inside the final furlong and scored by half a length from Bonny Light.

Docksider, the 100-30 favourite for the Mead Wormald Jubilee Handicap, had only one behind him as the field turned into the straight and, although he gamely did his best to peg them all back, Aitch N'Bee was still in front at the post.

Yesterday's ground was appreciably faster than when Docksider won at Chepstow last month and a mile on this fast course looked a bit short for him.

After Pouncita had set a fast pace, Aitch N'Bee and Floating Asset came through to dispute the lead at the three-furlong marker. With Willie Carson in his typical hard driving style, Aitch N'Bee gradually asserted himself

GOODWOOD

Selections

By Mandarin: 2.0 Cramming. 2.30 Nomrood. 3.0 Harlestone Lake. 3.30 Sunny Match. 4.0 Tartuffe. 4.30 Gilberto. 5.0 Paleface.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.0 Cramming. 2.30 Kusuma. 3.0 Son Streak. 4.0 Able Saint. 4.30 Geblitzt. 5.0 Paleface.

Michael Seely's selection: Samarid.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.30 GILBERTO.

103 (12) 0-0432 TIMESFORM (CD,BF) (Mrs J Ryley) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 88 7-2

Guide to our new in-line racecard: Jackpot prefix and racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (National Hunt: S-slipped up, B-brought down, R-refused, P-pulled up, F-fell, U-unseated rider). B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race. Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times private handicap rating. Approximate starting price.

Going: good **Draw: high numbers best**

2.0 GEORGE TODD APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,526: 1m 2f) (24 runners)

5 (10) 311312 SPRING FLIGHT (D, BF) (Mrs J Wood) A Jarvis 3-9-7 S Meacock (12) 93 9-2
6 (22) 0-14040 REDDEN D (J Honeysett) M Bolton 8-9-6 G Carter 95 10-1
7 (4) 431 HAMPER (Mrs M McCalmont) W Hastings-Bass 3-9-6 Dale Gibson (12) 98 3-1
8 (16) 000-000 BIG PAL D (Mrs G Harwood) G Harwood 11-9-6 S Hill (12) 96 —
10 (23) 000000- FOCHE D (B Doody) J Webber 5-9-5 C Rutter
12 (24) 302301 CRAMMING D (Mrs C Perkins) W Musson 3-9-4 (4ex) B Uniake (10) ● 99 7-2
13 (3) 020000 IRISH HERO (B) (P Savill) R Sheather 4-9-3 C White (12) 95 —
14 (2) 030442 TOM FORRESTER (P Jubert) P Mitchell 5-8-2 R Carter (8) 96 6-1
18 (19) 410-000 ELECTROPET (D Edwards) A Ingham 4-8-13 A Shoults 90 —
21 (20) 344300 DOLLY (J Bird) A Moore 4-8-11 A Riding (7) 96 —
24 (17) 030404 DANCING BARRON (V, D) (E Gadsden) L Cottrell 5-8-8 T Lang (10) 97 —
26 (5) 0-02304 CARVERY (T Warner) A Hide 3-8-7 P Brette (10) 95 8-1
27 (9) 032400 SKYBOOT (Mrs B Robinson) E Carter 7-8-7 Wendy Carter (10) 94 —
30 (1) 030020 FORGIVING (SPS Limited) B Stevens 4-8-5 S Whitelam (12) 92 —
31 (13) 0-00001 KITTY CLARE D (Mrs C Miller) M Tompkins 3-8-5 J Scully (5) 92 8-1
32 (6) 340000 COSMIC FLIGHT (E Peate) M Usher 3-8-4 L Jones 6 96 —
34 (14) 00-0020 NO BOLDER (B Ryan) R Hannon 3-8-3 R Perham (12) 14 90 —
35 (11) 00-0200 CHEERFUL TIMES (B Cousins) K Ivory 3-8-2 W Woods 96 —
39 (7) 0/440-00 POLYNOR FF (M Ryan) M Ryan 5-7-13 G Bardwell (10) 91 —
40 (15) 030423 MINUS MAN (D,BF) (Whitting Commodities) W Holden 8-7-13 R Morse 96 —
41 (8) 0000 MORGIANA (Mrs D MacGillycuddy) W Musson 3-7-13 R Price (12)
42 (21) 00/000- SCARLET TROUPER (R Hicks) G Balding 6-7-11 P Barnard (7) —
44 (18) 200300 PRIMROSE WAY (M Blanshard) M Blanshard 4-7-8 J Carter (5) 97 —
46 (12) 0-00004 WINDBOUND LASS (R Savery) R Holder 3-7-7 S Dawson

FORM SPRING FLIGHT was a close 2nd to Keepcalm last time: previously (8-6) won an apprentice handicap from Rustling (8-2) at Kempton (1m 1f, £2083, good to firm, Sept 6, 21 ran) with PRIMROSE WAY (7-5), DOLLY (8-3) and POLYNOR (7-6) all well down the field. HAMPER (8-1) is certainly going the right way judged on a length win over Highest Peak (8-6) at Ripon (1m 1f, Apprentice, £1143, soft, Aug 30, 14 ran). CRAMMING (8-0) quickened clear to beat Derrying (8-6) 8l at Chepstow (1m 2f, £2893, h'cap, good, Sept 13, 9 ran). TOM FORRESTER (8-13) a length 2nd to On To Glory (8-6) at Folkestone (1m 2f, £1779, firm, Sept 9, 15 ran). CARVERY (8-6) 6½l 4th of 10 to Rapidan (7-7) at Ripon last time (1m 2f, £1775, soft, Aug 30). MINUS MAN (7-12) a battling 1½l 3rd to Dark Heritage (9-1) at Sandown (1m 1f, Apprentice, £2687, good, Aug 29, 19 ran) with MORGIANA (7-11) 4l back in 6th, and PRIMROSE WAY (7-11) another 1½l back in 8th.
Selection: CRAMMING

2.30 FOUNDATION STAKES (£7,661: 1m 2f) (7 runners)

1 (2) 0/02300 BOLD INDIAN (B) (Sir P Oppenheimer) G Wragg 5-9-0 S Cauthen 96 8-5
2 (4) 0-00012 KUFUMA (V, D) (B Hamoud) G Huffer 4-9-0 Pat Eddery 95 13-2
4 (5) 12-1200 NOMROOD (F Salman) P Cole 3-8-13 T Quinn 98 4-1
5 (1) 001113 BOON POINT (N Avery) J Dunlop 3-8-9 J Reid 85 10-1
7 (6) 0-01010 SAMARID (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 3-8-9 W R Swinburn ● 99 11-2
8 (7) 211221 CHINOISERIE (C-D) (I Allan) L Cumani 3-8-6 R Cochrane 92 9-4
10 (3) 130-32 RACKSTRAW (K Abdulla) B Hills 3-8-6 B Thomson 91 10-1

FORM BOLD INDIAN a Frankfurt 5th last time, retains his ability after a year off the track as he showed (9-9) when ½l 2nd to Pennine Walk (9-11) at Kempton in May (8f, £17248, good to firm, 23 ran). KUFUMA (8-13) came late and last, only to fail by a neck to catch My Generation (8-9) at Leopardstown (1m 1f Group 3, IR£11,610, firm, Sept 20, 8 ran). SAMARID (9-0), who had previously dead-heated with Esdale at Windsor (1m 2f), was ¾l back in 5th. NOMROOD comes after a break since running poorly in France in July, earlier (9-0) 1½l 2nd to Shahrastani (9-0) in York's Dante Stakes over what may be his optimum trip (1m 2f Group 2, £80454, good, May 14, 7 ran). BOON POINT narrowly failed to step up in class successfully when (8-5) 2½l 3rd to Santiki (8-3) at Ayr (1m 3f, £10571, good to firm, Sept 17, 6 ran). CHINOISERIE (8-11) won the Extel over course and distance by ½l from Sweet Mover (8-4); he will need to improve (£20713, firm, Aug 1, 13 ran). RACKSTRAW (8-9) stuck on well to be 2l 2nd to Ininsky (8-6) here and will appreciate the extra quarter mile (8f, £3922, good to firm, Sept 12, 4 ran).
Selection: BOLD INDIAN

3.0 AJAX ENGINEERING INSURANCE HANDICAP (£3,115: 2m 3f) (13 runners)

1 (12) 1110/03 BRIGHTNER (K Abdulla) G Harwood 5-10-0 G Starkey —
2 (4) 113002 WITHY BANK (L Smith) M H Easterby 4-9-3 A Shoults (5) 98 5-6
3 (7) 210100 ACCURACY (C-D) (Miss B Swire) G Balding 5-8-13 J Williams 97 5-1
6 (6) 414011 HARLESTONE LAKE (J Dunlop) J Dunlop 4-8-10 Pat Eddery 95 11-4
7 (11) 000-221 DETROIT SAM (BF) (A Sofronou) R Akehurst 5-8-9 R Cochrane 95 8-1
8 (9) 212441 ACTINIUM (F Salman) P Cole 3-8-8 T Quinn 96 7-2
10 (5) 3103/00 CONTESTER (P Winfield) P Cundell 6-8-8 N Adams —
11 (3) 202023/ FLEETING KNIGHT (P Winfield) P Cundell 6-8-8 B Rouse —
12 (1) 000-404 ALDO KING FF (Mrs V Langford) D Oughton 5-8-2 P Cook 93 12-1
16 (10) 031/000 ITALIAN SUNRISE (V) (N Capon) D Oughton 6-7-10 B Crossley —
17 (8) 020130 SUN STREET (J Hill) C Brittain 4-7-10 G Carter 96 —
19 (2) 024204 BALLET CHAMP USA (S Gallagher) R Holder 8-7-8 S Dawson ● 99 —
22 (13) 00/0002- RIG STEEL (R Robbins) P Cundell 8-7-7 G French 78 —

FORM WITHY BANK stays the trip well and in 3rd came out the best of those here to contest the Chester Cup (2m 2f). Coming back from a break, (9-4) was a 4l runner-up to Allatum (8-2) at Thirsk. SUN STREET (7-13) 1¼l away 3rd (2m £4260, good, Sept 6, 9 ran). There should not be much between them today. ACCURACY needs some give and has done little since (9-1) making all to beat Tugboat (7-12) 12l over course and distance in May (2m 3f, £4026, soft). ALDO KING, (8-9) 3l away 4th of the 11 runners that day. HARLESTONE LAKE (9-4) beat Tugboat (8-7) 12l at Ostend (2m 4f, £6901, good to soft, Aug 31, 14 ran). The consistent ACTINIUM has yet to try this trip but runs as if it should suit; last time (11-9) took a Chepstow Amateur event by ¾l from Tun (9-13) (2m, £2540, soft, Aug 26, 8 ran). BALLET CHAMP is dropping down the weights and (8-0) still going on at the finish when 2¼l 4th to Pactolus (9-7) at Wolverhampton (2m 1f, £4721, good to firm, Sept 15, 14 ran).
Selection: BALLET CHAMP

3.30 JOURNAL PORTSMOUTH HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,145: 7f) (11 runners)

2 (4) 010120 CODICES USA D (P Locke) G Harwood 9-7 G Starkey 98 3-1
4 (9) 0221 USFAN USA (Prince A Faisal) D Dunlop 9-3 Pat Eddery 93 7-2
8 (10) 202300 IYAMSKI USA (Mrs M Cashman) W Hastings-Bass 8-4 R Lines 95 10-1
10 (1) 3-01400 BURHAAIN (D) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 8-3 P Cook 95
12 (2) 024000 STRIVE (A Kelly) M Smyly 8-1 A McGlone 91 —
13 (3) 000312 HIGHLY RECOMMENDED D (Lord McAlpine) P Cundell 8-0 N Adams 96 5-2
14 (11) 002-00 MOURADABIA (Densley Wood Racing) D Elsworth 7-12 G Carter 98 —
15 (8) 002002 SUNNY MATCH (Mrs H Macfarlane) L Cottrell 7-10 C Rutter (3) ● 99 5-1
16 (5) 411200 MISTER MARCH (T Blake) R Hutchinson 7-8 G French 96 —
17 (6) 0-20020 SITZCARRALDO BB (P Davies) R Hannon 7-7 S Dawson 97 —
18 (7) 000300 LIGHTNING WIND (A Schiff) M Usher 7-7 R Street 92 —

FORM Maiden IYAMSKI had no run in 8th behind Downsview last time: earlier (8-10) 2½l 3rd to Pinstripe (8-10) at Sandown (7f, £3522, good to firm, June 13, 13 ran), disappointing BURHAAIN (8-8) back in 7th. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED (8-12) failed by ½l to defy a 10lb penalty at Brighton when beaten by Helawe (9-5) (6f, firm, Sept 18). His win came at Kempton (7-7) by a comfortable 2½l from Stormguard (7-7) (7f, £2981, good, Sept 5, 14 ran). CODICES, (9-7) well-backed and disappointing behind there, had earlier (9-0) just got the better of USFAN (8-7) at Folkestone (7f, £959, good to firm, Aug 12, 7 ran). USFAN is going the right way and next time (9-0) beat Mentmoore (9-0) 2½l in a York maiden (8f, £3480, good, Sept 4, 9 ran). MOURADABIA has not shown his best this season in two outings (1m 3.5f and 8f); finished last year with a 1½l 2nd (9-0) to easy winner Primary (9-0) at Lingfield (7f, £1926, good to firm, Oct 28, 13 ran). SUNNY MATCH ran her best race to date when (7-10) 4l 2nd to Eastern House (7-13) here last time (7f, £3993, good to firm, Sept 13, 5 ran).
Selection: MOURADABIA

4.0 LIMEKILN STAKES (2-Y-O: £7,643: 7f) (5 runners)

3 (2) 213 ABLE SAINT (Dr C Li) R Armstrong 9-0 S Cauthen 94 2-1
4 (4) 01 TARTUFFE (D) (D Saxby) G Harwood 8-13 G Starkey ● 99 11-8
8 (5) 40 MOORE BRASS (B) (Sheikh Mohammed) C Brittain 8-11 Pat Eddery 74 5-1
11 (3) CASTLE WARD (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 8-8 B Thomson 12-1
14 (1) WHITE MINSTREL USA (Mrs V del Bono) J Dunlop 8-8 B Rouse 16-1

FORM ABLE SAINT, a 6f Lingfield winner, could not quicken 1f out when 4½l 3rd to Orient Line in nursery at Newbury (7f 60yds, £4344, good, Sept 19, 13 ran). TARTUFFE (9-0) broke course record with comfortable 1½l Salisbury defeat of Tertiary Zone (9-0) (7f, £1194, firm, Sept 11, 13 ran). MOORE BRASS, out of first 9 last time, led for over 4f when 5½l 4th to Genghiz (9-6) on Newmarket debut (6f, £3399, good, Aug 22, 7 ran).
Selection: TARTUFFE

4.30 SOLENT STAKES (2-Y-O: £959: 6f) (10 runners)

3 (6) 0 CAPTAIN HOLLY (S Brewer) P Makin 8-11 T Quinn
6 (5) 00 GEBLITZT (K Hsu) R Armstrong 8-11 S Cauthen 70 9-2
7 (1) 432 GILBERTO (Mrs M Landi) J Dunlop 8-11 Pat Eddery ● 99 6-5
8 (8) 0 GOLD MINORIES (E Benfield) P Mitchell 8-11 G Carter 8-1
9 (7) 00 LORD OF CANEWDON (D Elvin) A Moore 8-11 G Starkey —
12 (3) SAXON MIRCEL (Mrs J Lloyd) P Makin 8-11 R Cochrane
13 (2) 00 SAY YOU (T Sandgren) Pat Mitchell 8-11 J Reid 85 10-1
14 (9) 00 SPITZABIT (Mrs C Read) Pat Mitchell 8-11 T Ives
18 (4) 030 ACT OF TREASON (BF) (T Smith) D Laing 8-8 B Thomson 79 4-1
20 (10) CASTILLITO (J Dunlop) J Dunlop 8-8 B Rouse 10-1

FORM GEBLITZT (9-0) 6¾l 5th of 7 to Start-Rite at Yarmouth (6f, £1712, good, Aug 27). GILBERTO (8-11) split ante-post Guineas favourite Ajdal (8-7) and Rebel Raiser (8-11) when 3l 2nd at Doncaster (6f, £2550, good, Sept 12, 9 ran. ACT OF TREASON, beaten favourite when 6th at Wolverhampton, (8-8) had run 1½ 3rd to Susan Henchard (8-8) at Warwick (5f, £919, good, Aug 25, 17 ran).
Selection: GILBERTO

5.0 KINRARA NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,052: 1m) (10 runners)

1 (5) 322123 PALEFACE (BF) (Mrs S Rudolf) L Piggott 9-7 Pat Eddery 91 9-4
3 (6) 0010 MR CORMAN (S Corman Ltd) M Blanshard 9-3 J Reid 86 11-2
4 (3) 0004 MANDALAY PRINCE (D Hunnisett) D Morley 8-9 S Cauthen 92 14-1
5 (4) 411400 GREY WOLF TIGER (Mrs B Norman) R Hannon 8-8 P Cook ● 99 —
7 (9) 032F20 MORNING FLOWER (J Harding) R J Williams 8-4 R Cochrane 95 7-2
8 (10) 44140 TAKE A HINT (P Nelson) M Fetherston-Godley 8-2 C Rutter (3) 98 3-1
11 (1) 404102 MENDIP STAR (B) (Mrs B Dawes) R Holder 7-9 S Dawson 98 8-1
12 (7) 004400 CASTLE CORNET (Introgroup Holdings Ltd) R Hannon 7-8 G French 85 —
13 (8) 0000 PEROY (R Lamb) C Benstead 7-7 N Adams —
14 (2) 0000 HARTS LANE (P Williams) P Mitchell 7-7 G Carter —

FORM Front-runner PALEFACE (9-7) could find no extra inside final furlong when 1½l 3rd to Roumeli (7-7) at Pontefract (1m, £2429, good to firm, Sept 9, 15 ran). MR CORMAN, out-paced on first run in nursery company, (9-0) failed to get a clear run at Chester but got home by a neck from Willowbank (8-11) (7f, £1781, good to soft, Aug 29, 9 ran). GREY WOLF TIGER well below par since 3l 4th (8-10) to Pas D'Enchere (9-0) here (6f, £4032, good to firm, July 31, 8 ran). MORNING FLOWER'S poor effort in a seller can be discounted as he was hampered: previously (9-3) failed by a head to catch Trynova (8-9) in claiming race at Leicester (7f, £3162, good, Aug 18, 20 ran). CASTLE CORNET (8-12) was 2½l away 4th and there should be little between them today. MENDIP STAR has improved in blinkers and last time (8-6) ran Our Pat (7-13) to 2l at Bath (1m 8yds, £2687, good to firm, Sept 22, 13 ran). MANDALAY PRINCE (9-6) improved to finish 1½l further away in 4th.
Selection: MORNING FLOWER

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
L Cumani	19	67	28.4	G Starkey	45	214	21.0
G Harwood	55	237	23.2	Pat Eddery	54	284	19.0
M Stoute	22	101	21.8	S Cauthen	41	257	16.0
M Ryan	6	28	21.4	W R Swinburn	17	123	13.8
G Wragg	8	38	21.1	J.Reid	16	135	11.9
R Armstrong	10	67	14.9	P.Cook	12	130	9.2

HAMILTON PARK

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Ripe Christina. 2.45 Strathblane. 3.15 Beechwood Cottage. 3.45 Gaelic Lover. 4.15 Collyweston. 4.45 Four Star Thrust.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 Ripe Christina. 2.45 Juveniledelinquent. 3.15 Beachwood Cottage. 3.45 War Child. 4.15 Colly Weston.

Going: good
Draw: middle to high numbers best

2.15 STRATHCLYDE MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £812: 6f) (13 runners)

3 2340 BLAZE OF GOLD E Alston 8-11 T Williams 2
5 DARK WINTER J W Watts 8-11 N Connorton 1
7 00 DOLITINO Miss Z Green 8-11 L Charnock 12
FIREIRON W Elsey 8-11 J Lowe 3
9 00 FOWL PLAY I Matthews 8-11 G Dickie 8
11 044 HAYGATE PARK M Ryan 8-11 P Robinson 11
14 00 IRENIC M Jarvis 8-11 T Lucas 7
15 432 JUST KALA P Walwyn 8-11 Paul Eddery 4
16 0 LADY OF RIGA J Jefferson 8-11 — 5
18 003 MEADOWBANK M W Dickinson 8-11 D Nicholls 13
19 00 OAK FIELD J Haldane 8-11 J Quinn (5) 10
22 3342 RIPE CHRISTINA A Bailey 8-11 P Bloomfield 9
25 4 RUN LITTLE LADY (BF) H Cecil 8-11 W Ryan 6

9-4 Run Little Lady, 3-1 Just Kala, 9-2 Meadowbank, 6-1 Ripe Christina, 8-1 Haygate Park, 10-1 Dark winter, 12-1 Irenic.

2.45 ROYAL CALEDONIAN HUNT NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £2,004: 6f) (10)

1 1013 STRATHBLANE (D) J Dunlop 9-7 P Robinson 2
2 1000 LUCIANAGA (D) P Walwyn 8-13 Paul Eddery 4
3 3840 BRUTUS J S Wilson 8-8 N Connorton 6
5 3100 DUNLIN (CD) S Norton 8-3 J Lowe 5
6 4400 JUVENILEDELINQUENT (C) A Bailey 8-1 T Williams 8
8 0000 GREEN'S GALLERY G Blum 7-11 L Charnock 1
13 0000 WHISTLING WONDER M Brittain 7-7 A Proud 10
16 2130 FIVE SIXES T Craig 7-7 — 7
17 0402 BOLD HIDEAWAY (B,BF) R Sheather 7-7 — 3
22 0000 ROSE LOUBET J Payne 7-7 A Mackay 9

11-4 Strathblane, 100-30 Lucianaga, 4-1 Five Sixes, 6-1 Dunlin, 8-1 Bold Hideaway, 10-1 Juveniledelinquent.

3.15 ROYAL CALEDONIAN HUNT CUP HANDICAP (£2,122: 6f) (20)

2 2304 THRONE OF GLORY (D) D Chapman 5-9-8 D Nicholls 19
3 0100 TANFEN (CD) T Craig 5-8-8 — 8
5 -000 SECURITY PACIFIC G Calvert 3-9-7 A Mercer 20
6 1341 DUFFER'S DANCER (C,D) W Pearce 4-8-13 N Connorton 17
9 0000 NO CREDIBILITY B Richmond 4-8-13 T Williams 4
10 4000 GODS SOLUTION (B,D) T Barron 5-8-13 — 7
11 1010 WARTHILL LADY (CD) M Brittain 4-8-13 (10ex) A Bacon 5
12 0010 THATCHERED (D) J Berry 5-8-12 M Fry 2
14 0303 BEECHWOOD COTTAGE (B,CD) A Bailey 3-8-11 P Bloomfield 14
16 0004 MADEMOISELLE MAGNA (D) S Norton 3-8-9 J Lowe 13
17 0004 HARMONY BOWL (B) M Jarvis 3-8-8 T Lucas 10
19 0343 TIT WILLOW (B) S Wiles 4-8-6 G Baxter 18
20 0-00 FREE CLARE M Prescott 3-8-5 C Nutter 1
23 4000 MONINSKY (B,D) N Bycroft 5-8-4 P Robinson 9
24 0343 HENRY'S VENTURE (C-D) D Chapman 4-8-3 A Proud 12
28 0000 TOOTSIE ROLL (B) J Payne 3-7-11 A Mackay 16
30 0003 KING COLE Mrs G Reveley 4-7-7 J Quinn (5) 6
31 4000 OFF YOUR MARK G Calvert 6-7-7 L Charnock 11
32 0800 TRADESMAN (B,C) J Haldane 6-7-7 — 3
35 4-00 IT'S HEAVEN Miss Z Green 6-7-7 — 15

4-1 Duffer's Dancer, 5-1 Harmony Bowl, Throne Of Glory, 6-1 Beechwood Cottage, 7-1 King Cole, 8-1 Henry's Venture.

3.45 REDERECH SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £854: 1m 40yd) (6)

3 2 GAELIC LOVER C Tinkler 8-11 M Birch 3
6 0400 RIPSTER R Stubbs 8-11 D Nicholls 6
9 3000 U-BIX COPY J S Wilson 8-11 P Robinson 4
10 0000 CARSE KELLY S Norton 8-8 J Lowe 5
16 0 LITTLE LAW B Richmond 8-8 A Proud 1
19 0300 WAR CHILD P Haslam 8-8 T Williams 2

11-8 Gaelic Lover, 3-1 War Child, 7-2 Carse Kelly, 10-1 U-Bix Copy, 12-1 Ripster, 16-1 Little Law.

4.15 AVONDALE CLAIMING STAKES (£684: 1m 1f) (8)

1 3030 BUSTED FLAVOUR W Jarvis 5-9-0 T Lucas 2
2 4432 TREYARNON S Norton 4-8-9 J Lowe 8
3 4002 PORO BOY C N Williams 3-8-7 G Baxter 1
4 0121 COLLYWESTON M Prescott 3-8-6 C Nutter 4
5 -000 NIPKNOWES (B) R Allan 5-8-4 A Mackay 5
8 33-20000OPTIMISM FLAMED ... Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-0 — 7
9 0000 SCINTILLATOR C Booth 3-7-13 T Williams 6
10 0000 TORRIGGIA E Incisa 3-7-13 — 3

9-4 Collyweston, 7-2 Optimism Flamed, 4-1 Poro Boy, 11-2 Busted Flavour, 10-1 Treyarnon, 16-1 Nipknowes.

4.45 CAPTAIN J.C. STEWART MEMORIAL HANDICAP (£1,402: 1m 5f) (8)

4 -000 LISMORE J Dunlop 4-9-7 J Lowe 7
5 0232 FOUR STAR THRUST R Whitaker 4-9-6 D McKeown 1
11 3003 I'M EXCEPTIONAL R Hollinshead 4-8-7 W Ryan 2
12 0000 ISHKHARA Mrs G Reveley 4-8-6 P Robinson 4
13 2200 PERFECT DOUBLE W Pearce 5-8-6 N Connorton 6
14 0000 APPLE WINE (CD) D Chapman 8-8-5 D Nicholls 5
18 0300 JIPIJAPA (V) E Incisa 5-7-12 — 8
19 3000 BOREHAM DOWN N Bycroft 7-7-9 L Charnock 3

2-1 Four Star Thrust, 9-4 Lismore, 9-2 I'm Exceptional, 8-1 Perfect Double, 12-1 Ishkhara, Jipijapa, 20-1 others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: M Prescott, 23 winners from 103 runners, 22.3%; M Jarvis, 6 from 28, 21.4%; P Haslam, 22 from 105, 21.0%; J W Watts, 13 from 71, 18.3%; Mrs G Reveley, 8 from 50, 18.0%; S Norton, 23 from 152, 15.1%.
JOCKEYS: Paul Eddery, 7 winners from 37 rides, 18.9%; J Lowe, 43 from 302 rides, 14.2%; M Birch, 21 from 187, 11.2%; L Charnock, 18 from 172, 10.5%; D Nicholls, 21 from 201, 10.4% N Connorton, 9 from 88, 10.2%.

SEDGEFIELD

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Starwood. 2.45 Firmament. 3.15 Smart In Black. 3.45 Macusla. 4.15 Mossy Cones. 4.45 Gowan House. 5.15 Bishopdale.

Going: firm

2.15 EASINGTON NOVICE HURDLE (£662: 2m) (11 runners)

1 0-01 MOONDAWN (D) K Stone 5-11-4 A Stringer
2 F0-0 AVIATION SUPPORT J Wade 6-10-11 R Lamb
5 00/0 DOUBLE LINE W A Stephenson 5-10-11 D Condell
6 30-4 PERFECT GLEN Denys Smith 6-10-11 C Grant
8 00-0 RUSHYFORD V Thompson 8-10-11 Mr M Thompson (4)
9 000- TOP O'TH'LANE N Bycroft 8-10-11 P Tuck
12 020- GILLANBONE Mrs M Kendall 4-10-10 Mrs M Kendall
13 STARWOOD C Tinkler 4-10-10 M Dwyer
15 00-2 WELL INFORMED (BF) C J Bell 4-10-10 S Earle (4)
17 LUSH PATH Alf Watson 4-10-5 R Earnshaw
19 3 SKERNE SPARK M Camacho 4-10-5 J J Quinn

11-4 Moondawn, 3-1 Skerne Spark, 5-1 Well Informed, 6-1 Perfect Glen, 8-1 Double Line, 10-1 Starwood.

2.45 LUDWORTH SELLING HURDLE (£542: 2m) (6)

2 F0-0 DOMANUS V Thompson 5-11-13 Mr M Thompson (4)
3 F/ FIRMAMENT Mrs C Postlethwaite 6-11-13 M Dwyer
4 -202 MONSANTO LAD H Fleming 6-11-13 M Pepper
5 00/0 PALLETAIT (B) N Waggott 6-11-13 R Earnshaw
10 FRANDIE MISS W J Smith 3-10-4 S Turner (7)
11 00 HOLIDAY MILL D Moffatt 3-10-4 K Teelan

10-11 Monsanto Lad, 4-1 Domanus, 6-1 Holiday Mill, 8-1 Frandie Miss, 12-1 Palletait, 16-1 Firmament.

3.15 I.C.I. PETROL HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,612: 2m 4f) (5)

4 0-31 TROMEROS (C) Denys Smith 5-12-0 (7ex) C Grant
5 12U1 SMART IN BLACK (D) G Richards 4-12-0 (7ex) —
7 33-0 FROSTY TOUCH Mrs E Slack 8-11-5 Miss D Slack (7)
8 000- GINDANGO F Taylor 7-11-4 Mr A Orkney
10 -F00 SPECIAL SETTLEMENT R Allan 5-10-8 S Charlton

Evens Tromeros, 7-4 Smart In Black, 8-1 Frosty Touch, 10-1 Special Settlement, 12-1 Gindango.

3.45 STOKESLEY NOVICE HURDLE (Amateurs: £720: 2m 4f) (12)

1 01 BORDER PERIL (D) Miss M Bell 4-11-6 T Reed
2 ADFEN P Liddle 5-10-11 A Kirtley (7)
4 -438 CHANGED PERSON J Wade 5-10-11 J Fennessy (7)
5 -00P DEMON KING J Thorpe 7-10-11 —
6 000- DUN WATER A Potts 9-10-11 Miss R Judge (7)
8 00-0 HELL RAISER J Thorpe 7-10-11 K Green (7)
11 00- READ ALL ABOUT IT W A Stephenson 5-10-11 P Johnson (7)
13 P00- ROYAL CAMLIT Mrs S Ward 9-10-11 D Kinsella (7)
18 BEBE HATTIE P Beaumont 5-10-6 Miss A Beaumont (7)
20 HATSU-GIRIE R Swiers 5-10-6 J Osborne (7)
21 000-0 INRANGE R Johnson 5-10-6 K Johnson (7)
22 20-1 MACUSLA R Hawkey 4-10-5 A Orkney (7)

6-4 Border Peril, 100-30 Read All About It, Macusla, 9-2 Changed Person, 6-1 Bebe Hattie, 10-1 Adfen.

4.15 SAM BERRY NOVICE CHASE (£832: 3m 600yd) (7)

1 2221 MOSSY CONES W A Stephenson 7-11-1 R Lamb
2 3013 PAMRINA (C) Mrs G Reveley 8-10-10 P Niven (4)
3 3/0F FOUR OF EACH V Hall 8-10-8 Mr A Orkney
6 SEALED OFFER P Beaumont 8-10-8 P A Farrell (4)
7 P0-4 SWEET STREAM V Thompson 7-10-8 Mr M Thompson (4)
9 0-00 PRINCE METTERNICH C J Bell 5-10-5 S Earle (4)
10 P-0P CRESTA CROSSETT E Caine 8-10-3 —

11-8 Mossy Cones, 3-1 Pamrina, 5-1 Sweet Stream, 8-1 Sealed Offer, 10-1 Four Of Each, 12-1 Prince Metternich.

4.45 BISHOP AUCKLAND HANDICAP CHASE (£1,609: 2m) (4)

1 P80- RENTAGHOST (C-D) T Barron 8-12-7 G Harker (4)
2 34-3 RIVERS EDGE (C-D) Denys Smith 8-12-4 C Grant
4 -221 GOWAN HOUSE (C-D) W A Stephenson 7-11-8 (5ex) R Lamb
9 0-42 MENDELITA (B) (C-D) P Courage 10-10-3 A Stringer

5-4 Gowan House, 5-2 Rivers Edge, 3-1 Mendelita, 6-1 Rentaghost.

5.15 GRUNWICK NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£718: 2m) (8)

2 4 BISHOPDALE W A Stephenson 5-11-6 A Merrigan (7)
10 MCCORKLEY'S ROCK (NZ) R Champion 4-11-5 Mr R Carter
13 TAKE TIME P Courage 4-11-5 Miss K Thompson
14 ELLERBY LEGEND D Lee 5-11-1 Mr C Cundall
15 0- GYPSY FOR SURE R Swiers 5-11-1 Miss A Beaumont (7)
17 COUNTESS CROSSETT E Caine 4-11-0 Miss J Davies
18 DON'T DESPAIR J R Turner 4-11-0 —
19 0 HUA SAUCY V Hall 4-11-0 Mr V Hall

8-13 Bishopdale, 4-1 McCorkley's Rock, 6-1 Gypsy For Sure, 10-1 Take Time, 12-1 Hua Saucy, 16-1 others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: T D Barron, 6 winners from 22, 27.3%; Denys Smith 27 from 171, 15.8%; G Richards, 14 from 95, 14.7%; W A Stephenson, 43 from 314, 13.7%. (Only four qualifiers).
JOCKEYS: R Lamb, 29 winners from 160 rides, 18.1%; C Grant, 32 from 196, 16.3%; S Charlton, 12 from 103, 11.7%; P Tuck, 13 from 138, 9.4%. (only four qualifiers).

NOTTINGHAM

Selections

By Mandarin: 2.30 Miss Pisa. 3.0 John Dorey. 3.30 SO KIND (nap). 4.0 Copper Red. 4.30 Stelby. 5.0 Roumeli.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.0 Real Moonshine. 3.30 Jans Contessa. 4.0 General Meilland. 4.30 Ali Smith. 5.0 Roumeli.

By Michael Seely

3.0 John Dorey. 5.0 ROUMELI (nap).

Going: firm **Draw: 5f-6f high numbers best**

2.30 SIBTHORPE SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,120: 1m 50yd) (13 runners)

1 (6) ACERTAINHIT (Mrs S McDonald) S Bowring 8-11 C Dwyer — —
7 (1) 00 MAX STAR (Mrs J Mackie) W Mackie 8-11 N Carlisle — —
9 (11) 00 NO CONCERN (Dr D Davis) M Blanshard 8-11 W Newnes 94 10-1
14 (8) 00 SAMPREKI (P Hume) R Hollinshead 8-11 S Perks 82 —
20 (7) CAJUN MOON (Mrs H Plumbly) T Bill 8-8 — —
22 (13) CORFIN LASS (B) (J Ryan) C Tinkler 8-8 M Wood 95 7-2
23 (2) 000003 CREOLE BAY (J Ryan) T Fairhurst 8-8 M Hills 82 6-1
24 (10) 00 CULINARY (B) (J Smith) S Norton 8-8 L Ashworth (7) — 10-1
30 (9) 000 LILLY'S DOUBLE (B) (E Parker) C Tinkler 8-8 G Duffield — —
32 (5) 000 MASCALLS DREAM (Mascalls Stud Farm Ltd) P Makin 8-8 T Ives 87 10-1
33 (12) 030430 MISS PISA (Mrs D Bottenil) W Wharton 8-8 J Ward (7) ● 99 7-4
34 (3) 040 NATIONS ROSE (Nation Wide Racing Co Ltd) R Stubbs 8-8 H Brown (5) 80 — 8-1
36 (4) 00000 WILLY'S NIECE (Mrs S Lynam) A Potts 8-8 S Webster — —

3.0 NOTTINGHAM GOOSE FAIR HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,010: 1m 6f) (6 runners)

2 (4) 432221 SHAH'S CHOICE (Lord Granard) J Dunlop 9-12 W Carson 90 4-1
4 (3) 40-111 JOHN DOREY (Mrs V Bourne) M Prescott 9-6 (5ex) G Duffield ● 99 6-5
8 (1) 04000 REAL MOONSHINE (Brook Bloodstock Plc) A Stewart 9-0 M Roberts 95 8-1
18 (2) 0000 LA GRANDE DAME (H Gover) K Brassey 8-10 S Whitworth 89 16-1
19 (6) 040000 LOST OPPORTUNITY (Sheikh Mohamed Al Sabah) J Bethell 8-9 W Newnes 93 16-1
20 (5) 0-00200 RIVER GAMBLER (R Sangster) J Sutcliffe 8-8 M Hills 93 4-1

3.30 CARLTON MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,120: 6f) (4 runners)

4 (4) 04 DELPHINIA (M Mutawa) J Dunlop 8-11 W Carson 80 9-2
6 (3) 230 JANS CONTESSA (L James) R Boss 8-11 M Hills 79 7-2
12 (2) 304 SO KIND (Mrs R Nurse) J W Watts 8-11 T Ives ● 99 11-8
13 (1) 00220 TUFTY LADY (Mrs S Hinde) R Armstrong 8-11 P Tulk 97 5-2

4.0 TRENT AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,281: 6f) (10 runners)

2 (4) 13430 FLAXLEY (S Reekes) R Hollinshead 9-8 A Culhane (7) 80 11-2
5 (6) 003200 FOURWALK C-D (W Fouracres) Mrs N Macauley 9-5 R Hills 77 8-1
6 (8) 323122 COPPER RED (R Marchant) P Makin 9-2 S Perks ● 99 7-2
7 (3) 000001 PILGRIM PRINCE D (C Cyzer) M Usher 9-1 M Wigham 72 8-1
10 (1) 0 BILLY CONNOLLY (W Joyce) M Brittain 8-11 K Darley 76 —
11 (7) 2 BRIMUR (Mrs M Haggas) J W Watts 8-11 W Carson 91 11-2
15 (9) 033 GENERAL MEILLAND (M Fustok) L Piggott 8-11 T Ives 95 3-1
30 (10) 000000 YOUNG CENTURION (V) (T Marshall) M Usher 8-11 D McKay 69 —
35 (2) 000 GLAMIS GIRL (J Michelsen) K Brassey 8-8 S Whitworth 74 10-1
42 (5) 0 POWER OF LOVE (C Booth) C Booth 8-8 M Hills 80 —

4.30 E B F STAUNTON MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O C & G: £963: 5f) (13 runners)

1 (13) 2340 ALI SMITH (Mrs G Boss) R Boss 9-0 T Ives 91 11-4
2 (3) ARAMOR (K Mercer) G Huffer 9-0 G Carter — —
6 (4) 30 EL DELGADO (P Deal) H Candy 9-0 W Newnes 80 7-2
8 (10) GALLANT GALLOIS (J Acklam) C Booth 9-0 R Hills — —
9 (11) 00 GARCON NOIR (R Ball) D Moorhead 9-0 S Webster 70 —
10 (9) 0 GOLDEN CAJUN (Lt-Col C Hill-Wood) W Jarvis 9-0 G Duffield — —
11 (8) 000 GREAT STANDS BY (Mrs V Curley) C Vernon-Miller 9-0 — —
14 (2) 0000 METROMAN (B) (M Marshall) W Mackie 9-0 K Darley — —
15 (1) MONT ARTHUR (I Matthews) I Matthews 9-0 C Dwyer — —
17 (5) 44404 OUR FREDDIE (T Mills) A Ingham 9-0 R Curant 88 8-1
19 (6) 204000 PERTAIN (B) (C Duke) W Wharton 9-0 W Carson 67 10-1
20 (12) 242003 STELBY (V Sassie) O Brennan 9-0 J Carroll (7) ● 99 5-2
24 (7) 000004 TOUCH OF SPEED (B) (K Fischer) R Hollinshead 9-0 S Perks 80 8-1

● Aramor will only run if there is overnight rain

5.0 FOSTON NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £1,832: 1m 50yd) (12 runners)

2 (4) 0300 SLIP DANCER (J Palmer-Brown) L Piggott 9-7 T Ives 85 6-1
4 (10) 01020 SPOTTER (BF) (Lord Rotherwick) W Hern 9-4 W Carson 87 8-1
6 (6) 000 ABIDJAN (N Bohemia) J Spearing 8-13 W Newnes — —
7 (12) 020020 MUBKIR (Hamdan Al Maktoum) P Walwyn 8-12 N Howe 89 8-1
10 (8) 020003 COMMONSIDR GIPSY (L May) O Brennan 8-10 J Carroll (7) 98 7-2
15 (9) 4300 LUKMARIE (Mrs J Kham) C Brittain 8-4 M Roberts 95 12-1
17 (5) 230312 ROUMELI (Mrs H Cambanis) John FitzGerald 8-3 R Hills ● 99 11-4
18 (2) 000 HIGHLAND LAIRD (B) (D Hunnisett) D Morley 8-3 R Guest — —
19 (7) 234002 AVINASESH (Mrs C Tinkler) C Tinkler 8-2 M Wood 84 8-1
23 (1) 30000 LOMA BREEZE (Roldvale Ltd) P Kelleway 7-13 M Hills 97 —
28 (11) 00001 AKROTIRI BAY (B Bates) L Holt 7-10 (10ex) R Fox 93 10-1
30 (3) 33000 UNO'S PET (C Wheeler) K Stone 7-7 P Burke (7) 92 —

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
J Sutcliffe	9	31	29.0	G Duffield	26	173	15.0
W Hern	6	23	26.1	W Carson	23	155	14.8
J Dunlop	14	103	23.6	R Hills	11	85	12.9
R Armstrong	9	77	11.7	S Whitworth	8	72	11.3
C Brittain	11	95	11.6	T Ives	14	135	10.4
P Walwyn	9	89	10.1	S Perks	10	175	5.7

Cochrane collects again

Ray Cochrane, who will ride as first jockey for Luca Cumani's Newmarket stable next season, was quickly on the mark at Nottingham yesterday, partnering G G Magic to a 5-1 victory in the Alverton Selling Handicap.

The Newmarket jockey is enjoying the best season of his career and this was his 72nd winner.

The New Zealand jockey Brent Thomson, who is yet to decide where his future lies next season, had an armchair ride on Final Try, who comfortably landed the odds of 11-8 on in the Bentinck Stakes.

Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum's American-bred colt, who was fifth in Goodwood's Extel Handicap, cruised up to Straw Boater at the two furlong marker and quickly mastered the Newmarket filly, who had led practically from the start.

Final Try beat Luca Cumani's charge by one and a half lengths, but did so on a tight rein as the pair raced home well clear of Soho Sue.

Final Try pulled a back muscle early in the season, and aggravated the injury in the Extel. "So we shall have to wait and see how he comes out of this race before making any further plans", said Mike Heaton-Ellis, one of John Dunlop's assistants.

● Grand Tour, a 7-2 chance, maintained the fine run of Newmarket trainer Willie Hastings-Bass, when battling to a head victory from Alpenhorn in the Palmolive Maiden Two-Year-Old Stakes.

Richard Lines, gaining his fifth winner of the season, rode a patient race on the winner, waiting until close home before bursting into the lead and then running on stoutly to resist Alpenhorn.

Tom Hiscocks, the assistant trainer, said: "We fancied Grand Tour a lot today. He will make a really nice three-year-old. I expect our principal runner at Newmarket this week will be Storm Warning in the Rous Stakes."

RACING

SIS consortium land contract for satellite racing service

By Michael Seely

A consortium, in which the four main bookmaking firms have a 45 per cent stake, has landed the contract to supply televised racing by satellite to Britain's 10,000 betting shops.

Sir Peter Leng, the chairman of the Racecourse Association, which represents the country's 59 racecourses, said at a conference in London yesterday that the deal would be worth about £20m over a five-year period.

The negotiations have taken a year and the competition from seven other groups has resulted in a fourfold increase in the money offered.

The new company will be called Satellite Information Services and has been restructured from the bookmaker-backed Satellite Racing Development. The equity structure is as follows: RCA 10 per cent, Horserace Totalisator Board 5 per cent, Bass PLC 10 per cent, Great Metropolitan PLC 10 per cent, Ladbrokes 15 per cent and Sears PLC 10 per cent.

Bass, Great Metropolitan and Sears are the parent companies of Corals, Mecca, and William Hills, respectively.

Independent investors are being sought for the remaining 40 per cent of the shares. Bob Green, the chairman of Mecca, said: "There are plenty of people wanting to come in."

Commenting on the new consortium, Sir Peter Leng said: "It is no secret that my board and many other sections of the racing and betting industries, were concerned that such a vital communications link as satellite TV between the racecourses and the off-course betting offices should be controlled by the major bookmakers. We believe we have concluded an arrangement, which protects the long-term interests of the racing and betting industries in general and racecourses in particular."

Eight groups originally bid for the contract which eventually led to a well-publicised battle between the bookmakers consortium, headed by Mecca's chairman, Green, and Exchange Telegraph who have been supplying commentaries, betting shows and information from the course since 1963.

Yesterday Kenneth Young, the Extel chairman said: "We are naturally disappointed to have lost the contract, but we are not taking it lying down. There are several options open to us and we have some exciting new developments we are presenting at next week's Bookmakers' Show.

A chairman and chief executive, independent of racing interests, will be appointed to the new company, while the RCA will maintain a veto to safeguard all aspects of horse racing.

Racing coverage is expected to begin early next year with Bristol, Brighton, Edinburgh, Colchester, Leeds and Cardiff being the first areas to come on stream.

SIS will be paying for the installation and charge those betting shops who want to take the service an annual fee ranging from £3,500 for a single screen to £6,800 for the full 12-screen system.

Starting prices will continue to be compiled independently by representatives of the *Sporting Life* and Press Association, although SIS will have their own operators providing betting shows.

Allaying fears that the present arrangements might be threatened, Green commented: "I consider the SP sacrosanct, nothing will interfere with the present system."

The money is expected to be used to improve racecourse facilities and John Sanderson, who managed York and Thirsk, welcomed the deal. "I think it will transform our finances," he said. "It will give us more freedom to spend and will clearly be felt by the middle to low range courses." It is thought that racecourses will receive about 3½ times more than they do from the present commentaries fund. This would mean tracks such as Catterick and Pontefract receiving in the region of £60,000 a year. Some of the bigger tracks will benefit to the tune of over £100,000 per annum.

The extra money received is expected to be spent initially on improving amenities on racecourses, both for the paying customers and also for visiting stable staff.

Yesterday's results

Goodwood

Going: good

2.0 (6f) 1, NATIVE DRESS (Pat Eddery, 7-4 fav); 2, Mace-Bearer (P Waldron, 20-1); 3, Tauber (J Reid, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Bold Tangent (5th), 8 In Fat City (4th), 12 Birwaz, Sergeant Smoke, 14 Wujud, 20 Fourth Protocol, Love Train (6th), Quassimi, 25 Tumble Time, 33 Capital Flow, Carpet Capers, Castle Tryst, Dallor's Conquest, Phelloff, Tilting Court. 18 ran. nk, hd, ¾l, ¾l, ¾l. I Balding at Kingsclere. Tote: £2.80; £1.30, £5.30, £1.90. DF: £26.90. CSF: £37.96. 1min 14.02sec.

2.30 (5f) 1, ROTHERFIELD GREYS (J Leech, 7-1); 2, Bonny Light (A Shoults, 12-1); 3, Perion (P Waldron, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 fav Meeson King, 13-2 Silent Majority (6th), 8 Tachyon Park, 10 Pendor Dancer (4th), 12 Ameghino, High Image, 16 Music Machine, 20 Spacemaker Boy, Steel Cygnet (5th), 50 Northern Impulse, Sharad. 14 ran. NR: Ardrox Lad. ½l, sh hd, 2½l, 1l, sh hd. A Hide at Newmarket. Tote: win £10.50; places £2.80, £4.30, £1.70. DF: £110.40. CSF: £79.42. Tricast: £485.70. 59.57sec.

3.0 (1m) 1, AITCH N'BEE (W Carson, 5-1); 2, Docksider (M Roberts, 100-30 fav); 3, Pozzella (A McGlone, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Vague Shot, 9-2 Shafy (5th), 6 Royal Troubador (6th), 14 Pretty Great, 16 Floating Asset (4th). 8 ran. ½l, 1l, ¾l, ½l, 3l. J Dunlop Arundel. Tote: £5.20; £1.20, £1.80, £3.00. DF: £7.10. CSF: £20.22. 1min 41.52sec.

3.30 (7f) 1, SARAB (T Quinn, 7-4 fav); 2, Bollin Knight (M Birch, 7-1); 3, Verdant Boy (Pat Eddery, 3-1). ALSO RAN: 15-2 Luqman, 8 Lucky Ring (4th), 12 Alkaasah, 16 Governor General, 20 All Agreed (6th), 25 Charge Along (5th), 100 Softly Spoken. 10 ran. hd, 3l, 1½l, 1½l, ¾l. P Cole at Whatcombe. Tote: £2.60; £1.30, £2.60, £1.30. DF: £13.80. CSF: £14.19. 1min 27.72sec. Result stands after a stewards inquiry.

4.0 (1m 4f) 1, COX GREEN (G Starkey, 7-4 jt-fav); 2, Nadeed (B Rouse, 7-4 jt-fav); 3, Old Domesday Book (W R Swinburn, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 10 Dunool (4th), 100 Patrick John Lyons (5th), Mr Gardiner (6th). 6 ran. 1½l, 7l, 8l, 4l, 6l. G Harwood at Pulborough. Tote: £2.10; £1.40, £1.60. DF: £2.00. CSF: £4.51. 2min 38.31sec.

4.30 (1m 2f) 1, GERSHWIN (A Kimberley, 12-1); 2, No Stopping (L Jones, 7-1); 3, L'Etoile du Palais (R Fox, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 Spinnaker Lady, 6 Maid Of Honfleur (6th), 7 Dress In Spring (5th), 8 Capulet, My Derya (4th), 16 Solent Lad, 25 Cleavage, Sirtaki Dancer, Flamelight. 12 ran. 1l, ¾l, 2l, 10l, 1l. D O'Donnell at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £7.50; £2.10, £1.90, £4.30. DF: £18.70. CSF: £85.95. Tricast: £1,067.14. 2min 13.97sec. Bought in 3,200gns.

5.0 (6f) 1, SCIMITARRA (S Cauthen, 7-4 fav); 2, Chorizo (W R Swinburn, 11-2); 3, Bronzewing (T Quinn, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 8 Lucky Pick, 11 Miss Daisy, 14 Don't Knock It, 16 Taustafi (5th), Lavandou Legend, 20 Good Sailing, Naparima, 25 Balinese Dancer, Barbary Court, 33 Auntie Sybil (4th), Bleu Celeste (6th), Goodnight Master, Hinton Rose, Hurricane Valley, Lady Westown, Piplola, Princess Semele, Snowsdown, Starsign, Yamrah. 23 ran. NR: Aglasini, Deep Raptures, Speculate. 6l, 2½l, 1½l, 2½l, nk. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £2.90; £1.70, £2.10, £3.10. DF: £4.70. CSF: £12.57. 1min 12.36sec.

Placepot: £21.75.

Nottingham

Going: firm

2.30 (1m 6f) 1, G G MAGIC (R Cochrane, 5-1); 2, Asticot (R Weaver, 11-4); 3, Timminion (C Dwyer, 9-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 8 Grovecote (5th), 9 Deerfield Beach (6th), 12 Nelsonsuperyankee, Nordic Secret, 25 Jalome (4th), 33 Tiber Gate. 9 ran. ¾l, ½l, 1l, 1l, 2½l. D Morley at Newmarket. Tote: £3.00; £1.10, £1.60, £1.10. DF: £5.50. CSF: £18.35. Bought in 3,400 gns. After a stewards inquiry result stands.

3.0 (1m 2f) 1, FINAL TRY (B Thomson, 8-11 fav); 2, Straw Boater (R Cochrane, 3-1); 3, Soho Sue (M L Thomas, 40-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Vaula (4th), 50 Maftir (5th), Brimsol (6th). 6 ran. 1½l, 10l, ½l, 8l, nkl. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £1.60; £1.40, £1.50. DF: £1.30. CSF: £3.24.

3.30 (6f) 1, WAR BRAVE (B Thomson, Evens fav); 2, Sharblask (P Cook, 7-4); 3, Beau Nash (C Nutter, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 16 Muhim (5th), Night Club, 20 George James (4th), 33 Last Chord (6th), Linebacker, To-Monakrovo-Mou, 50 Charlou's Choice, Musical Dancer, Sprats Brat, Swing Singer. 13 Ran. NR: Lucayan Knight, In Fat City, Loud Appeal, Tumble Time. 4l, ½l, nk, nk, 5l. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £2.20; £1.10, £1.40, £4.10. DF: £2.20. CSF: £3.17.

4.0 (6f) 1, AFRABELA (P Robinson, 14-1); 2, Edraianthus (B Thomson, 5-1 jt-fav); 3, Knockcharry (P Hill, 16-1); 4, Saunders Lass (S Dawson, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 jt-fav Lady Lucina, 10 Skybolt, 12 Berrade, Gardenia Lady, Lady Behave, Pashmina, Stylish Girl, 14 Fingers Crossed, Teacher's Game, 16 Spanish Sky (5th), 25 Lady Westgate, Emma's Whisper. 16 ran. 1½l, hd, ¾l, 1½l, sh hd. M Brittain at Warthill. Tote: £8.20; £1.50, £1.90, £4.30, £1.50. DF: £63.70. CSF: £81.47. Tricast: £1,060.25. Emma's Whisper finished third, after a stewards enquiry was disqualified and placed last.

4.30 (6f) 1, COME TO THE BALL (B Thomson, 9-1); 2, Butsova (P Tulk, 4-5 fav); 3, Ortica (A Murray, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 15-2 Ziad's Alby (6th), 10 Grange Farm Lady (5th), Laced, 16 Pink N' Perky, 20 Tamalpais (4th), 33 Bella Carina, Cascading, Amancipated Lady, Fancy Finish, Greta's Song, Penjoun. 14 ran. 1l, hd, 3l, ¾l, ¾l, ½l. R Hannon at Marlborough. Tote: £11.80; £3.10, £1.20, £2.00. DF: £9.00. CSF: £16.75.

5.0 (2m) 1, PYJAMA PARTY (B Thomson, 7-2); 2, Walcisin (R Wernham, 3-1 fav); 3, Quadrillion (P Hill, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Old Malton (4th), 5 Dew (6th), 9 Sound Diffusion (5th), 33 Gainville Lad. 7 ran. NR: Cheren Hill. nk, 2½l, 5l, 3l, 10l. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £2.60; £3.30, £1.30. DF: £5.20. CSF: £13.56.

Placepot: £2.30.

Hamilton Park

Going: good to firm

2.15 (1m 1f) 1, GREENHILLS BOY (G Duffield, 4-1 fav); 2, Fanny Robin (L Charnock, 9-2); 3, Rymos (T Williams, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 7 Aussie Girl (4th), 8 Octiga, Annual Event, 12 Stanford Rose (5th), 14 Showdance, Sica Sue (6th). 9 ran. 1½l, 2l, 6l, 3l, nk. M Ryan at Newmarket. Tote: £4.20; £2.10, £2.10, £1.00. DF: £6.90. CSF: £20.10. Winner bought in for 1,700gns. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

2.45 (1m 40yd) 1, GRAND TOUR (R Lines, 7-2); 2, Alpenhorn (G Duffield, 7-1); 3, Marienbourg (G Baxter, 2-1 fav). ALSO RAN: 6 Soothing Word, 8 Kalaidophone (4th), 10 Amadeus Rock (5th), Near Heaven (6th), 14 Bold Mojacques, 20 Elsenham Star, 50 Escudero, Holy Willie, Mixedup Mhari, Tower Bay. 13 ran. NR: Drygalski, Trompe d'Oeil. hd, nk, 6l, 1½l, 2l. W Hastings-Bass at Newmarket. Tote: £7.40; £1.90, £2.30, £1.10. DF: £19.20. CSF: £28.79.

3.15 (1m 40yd) 1, HELLO GYPSY (W Goodwin, 7-1); 2, Forward Rally (G Duffield, 7-1); 3, Zio Peppino (J Carroll, 5-1 fav). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Greenhill's Girl, 8 Warplane, Hoptons Chance (4th), 12 Amir Albadeia (5th), Try Scorer, Bold Rowley, 14 Glacier Lass, Good N Sharp (6th), 16 Kamaress, 25 Via Vitae, 33 Bay Presto. 14 ran. 5l, ¾l, nk, 2l, 7l. C Tinkler at Malton. Tote: £7.50; £3.00, £2.20, £1.40. DF: £13.60. CSF: £53.28. Tricast: £249.47.

3.45 (1m 40yd) 1, RIVERS SECRET (L Charnock, 16-1); 2, Fu Lu Shou (T Williams, 5-1 jt-fav); 3, Chester Terrace (N Howe, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 5 jt-fav Sergeant Meryll (5th), Trompe d'Oeil (4th), 15-2 Johnny Sharp, 8 Chantilly Lace, Harry Hunt, 10 Trynova, 12 Schuygulla (6th), 14 Running Money, Eurocon, 16 Pit Pony, 20 Mons Future. 14 ran. NR: Lord Collins. ¾l, ¾l, 1½l, hd, 2l. Denys Smith at Bishop Auckland. Tote: £57.90; £12.90, £2.70, £6.50. DF: £121.20. CSF: £98.70. Tricast: £950.92. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

4.15 (1m 3f) 1, WHILE IT LASTS (P Hamblett, 5-1); 2, Nihad (A Geran, 13-8 fav); 3, First Kiss (G Baxter, 5-2). ALSO RAN: 6 French Flutter (4th), 8 Horowitz (5th), 33 Casual Pass (6th), 100 Our Jamie. 7 ran. ½l, ¾l, 3l, 7l, 8l. L Cumani at Newmarket. Tote: £5.50; £2.00, £1.50. DF: £9.00. CSF: £12.89.

4.45 (1m 3f) 1, FOURTH TUDOR (A Geran, 7-2 fav); 2, Boys Sandford (J Quinn, 9-2); 3, Greed (L Charnock, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 5 Moulkins (4th), 7 Girdle Ness, Nugola (6th), 10 Pontyates, Appreciative (5th), 12 The Fink Sisters, 14 Wise Cracker, 25 Mariner's Star. 11 ran. 5l, ½l, 2l, hd, ¾l. B Hanbury at Newmarket. Tote: £5.70; £1.40, £2.00, £2.00. DF: £18.60. CSF: £20.84. Tricast: £83.31.

Placepot: £17.60

Carlisle

Going: firm

2.15 (2m 330yd hdle) 1, The Rusk (C Smith, 4-1); 2, Cape Town Girl (7-1); 3, Le Baron Rouge (9-2). Scottish Green 11-4 fav. 9 ran. 8l, 2l. F Jordan. Tote: £5.30; £2.10, £2.10, £1.90. DF: £15.50. CSF: £32.72.

2.45 (2m ch) 1, Stubbs Daughter (A Jones, 7-4); 2, Tumble Jim (11-8 fav); 3, Renrebo (9-4). 3 ran. NR: Ronan-Paul. hd, 25l. K Bailey. Tote: win £2.60. DF: £2.10. CSF: £4.11.

3.15 (2m 330yd hdle) 1, Third Realm (J K Kinane, 14-1); 2, Galatch (3-1); 3, Mike Grey (9-4). 5 ran. ½l, 2½l. W Fairgrieve. Tote: £17.50; £2.50, £1.80. DF: £37.40. CSF: £51.62.

3.45 (2m 4f ch) 1, Stand Back (R Lamb, 11-10); 2, Sinistar Buyabo (8-11 fav). 2 ran. 12l. W A Stephenson. Tote: win £1.70.

4.15 (2m 330yd hdle) 1, Cumbrian Nije (L Wyer, 7-2); 2, Sweet Snugfit (13-8 fav); 3, Bantel Bushy (11-4). 6 ran. 1l, 6l. M H Easterby. Tote: £3.90; £1.50, £1.40. DF: £5.90. CSF: £9.42.

4.45 (3m ch) 1, Mr Frisk (A Jones, 4-11 fav); 2, Mossy Cones (5-2); 3, My Word Is My Bond (12-1). 3 ran. 7l, dist. K Bailey. Tote: £1.40. DF: £1.20. CSF: £1.63.

5.15 (2m 330yd flat) 1, Ali Pali (M Tabbutt, 1-2 fav); 2, Rosie's Member (9-2); 3, Rimsdale (4-1). 7 ran. NR: Modina Baliroma. 1½l, 10l. C Thornton. Tote: £1.40; £1.30, £2.10. DF: £3.60. CSF: £4.42.

Placepot: £74.15

TENNIS

High flier: McEnroe wins his semi-final against Edberg

McEnroe stays on comeback trail

San Francisco (Reuter) — John McEnroe, the world's 15th-ranked player, took another step on his comeback trail today by winning the singles title of the San Francisco Grand Prix tennis tournament on Sunday. Seeded fourth, McEnroe beat his fellow-American, Jimmy Connors, seeded second, 7-6, 8-6, 6-3, winning his second consecutive grand prix singles title in as many weeks. In the semi-final McEnroe had beaten Stefan Edberg.

McEnroe won $44,000 (about £30,800), Connors received $22,000. The two have now played 31 times, with McEnroe holding a 19-12 edge. McEnroe has won their last 10 encounters, including their previous final encounterwhich occurred at Wimbledon in 1984. Connors has not won a singles title since Tokyo in October 1984.

The match was a struggle from the outset, fought mainly from the baseline. Connors hit punishing returns and McEnroe relied on his wide-angled serve to win the key points. Each player dropped serve once in the first set, before games reached 6-6 and the tie-break. McEnroe opened the tie-break with a double fault, but broke back immediately with a forehand return. Connors led 4-2 before McEnroe reeled off four points in a row to reach set point.

McEnroe lost the first set point when he hit a forehand wide, and the second on a blistering cross-court pass from Connors. At 6-6, McEnroe put an overhead down the line to reach set point for the third time, and won the tie-break as Connors sent a backstroke wide.

In the second set, three service breaks followed from 1-1, but McEnroe got the upper hand in the next game, surviving a break point to lead 4-2, then breaking Connors for the match at 5-3 after a series of backhand errors by Connor.

"It was a hard-fought match," McEnroe said. "He made me work for it. He forced me to play better and better." Connors, aged 34, admitted that his rivalry with the 27-year-old McEnroe sparked renewed vigour in his game.

"It's getting to the point where I'm eager and excited before I walk out there," Connors said. "The first set was entertaining and people got to see great shots and excitement from both sides of the court."

Commenting on his consecutive tournament victories, McEnroe said: "Results like this are very heartening. I'm glad I've done what I've set out to do.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated

Screen Sport Super Cup
Final, second leg
Everton v Liverpool

Full Members Cup
First Round
Stoke v Sheffield United

European Cup
First round, second leg
First leg scores in brackets
Vitkovice (2) v Paris Saint-Germain (2) (4.30)

Cup Winners' Cup
First round, second leg
Bordeaux (2) v Waterford (1) (7.0)

UEFA Cup
First round, second leg
Sredetz Sofia (0) v Swarovski Tyrol (3) (7.0)
Valerengens (0) v Beveren (1) (6.0)

Second division
Blackburn v Plymouth

Third division
Blackpool v Port Vale
Bolton v Chesterfield
Brentford v Bury (7.45)
Bristol C v Darlington (7.45)
Mansfield v Gillingham
Middlesbrough v Swindon
Newport v Carlisle
Notts C v Bristol R
Rotherham v Wigan
Walsall v Fulham
York v Bournemouth

Fourth division
Halifax v Northampton
Lincoln v Orient
Scunthorpe v Cambridge
Swansea v Aldershot
Torquay v Stockport
Tranmere v Burnley
Wolverhampton v Preston

Scottish First division
Brechin v Clyde
Dunfermline v Montrose
East Fife v Forfar
Morton v Airdrieonians
Partick v Kilmarnock
Queen of Sth v Dumbarton

FA CUP: Second qualifying replay: Aylesbury v Harefield; Fisher v Walton and Hersham; Hampton v Metropolitan Police (7.30); Kingstonian v Boreham Wood; Southport v Lancaster City; St Helens v Armthorpe Welfare (5.0).

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Barnet v Wealdstone; Bath v Cheltenham; Enfield v Maidstone; Sutton United v Dagenham; Telford v Runcorn.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland division: Moor Green v Leamington. Southern division: Burnham and Hillingdon v Trowbridge; Thanet v Sheppey.

COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Horley v Malden Vale.

NENE GROUP UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Stamford v Potton.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Carshalton v Barking; Harrow v Hitchin; Hayes v Windsor and Eton; Slough v St Albans; Wycombe v Wokingham. First division: Boreham Wood v Oxford City; Bracknell v Staines; Finchley v Stevenage Borough; Grays v Leytonstone/Ilford; Kingsbury v Walton and Hersham; Leatherhead v Lewes; Tilbury v Basildon; Uxbridge v Hampton; Wembley v Maidenhead. Second division north: Cheshunt v Aveley; Clapton v Harringey Borough; Harlow v Hornchurch; Hemel Hempstead v Saffron Walden; Letchworth Garden City v Barton; Rainham v Wivenhoe; Ware v Royston; Wolverton v Berkhamsted. AC Delco Cup: First round replay: Bromley v Dorking; Farnborough v Aveley.

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Barrow v Morecambe; Buxton v Gainsborough; Chorley v Mossley; Goole v Burton; Macclesfield v Caernarfon; Marine v Horwich; Matlock v Worksop. Postponed: Southport v Mossley.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Leeds v Coventry (7.00).

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Fulham v Arsenal (2.30); Luton v Charlton (2.00); Portsmouth v Watford (7.00) Queens Park Rangers v Southampton (2.00).

RUGBY UNION

JOHN SMITH'S MERIT TABLE A: Nottingham v Coventry (7.15).
CLUB MATCHES: Roundhay v York (7.15).

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: Senior Women's British Open Amateur Championship (at Longniddry). Women's Mitsubishi Jersey Open Tournament (at Royal Jersey GC).
SAILING: Johnnie Walker World Sailing Speed Record Week (at Portland).
SNOOKER: BCE International, Final Stages (at Trentham Gardens, Stoke-on-Trent).

Elkjaer talks

Hamburger SV, one of West Germany's top football clubs, is negotiating with forward Preben Elkjaer, Denmark's World Cup star, for a possible transfer from Verona, his Italian side, a Hamburg newspaper reported yesterday.

RUGBY UNION: LYDNEY AND FYLDE DRAW TOUGH OPPONENTS IN JOHN PLAYER CUP

Old Reigatians rewarded with home draw against Exeter

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Old Reigatians, who left it until virtually the last possible moment before qualifying for the second round of the John Player Special Cup, were rewarded yesterday with a home draw against first-class opponents in Exeter, who managed a comfortable first-round win over Oxford on Saturday.

Reigatians, whose first season in the cup this is, trailed KCS Old Boys for most of their first-round tie. Advancing into injury-time they threw caution to the wind and managed to work Lent, their wing, over in the corner for the try that gave them a 10-9 win and a place against Exeter.

The second round the draw, which was made at Twickenham by Alan Grimsdell, president of the Rugby Football Union, is divided into northern and southern halves with Blackheath joining the north and Midland section to make 10 clubs in each half.

Second round draw

NORTHERN SECTION: Pavors v Durham City; West Hartlepool v Solihull; Leighton Buzzard v Lichfield; Fylde v Liverpool/St Helens; Rugby v Blackheath.
SOUTHERN SECTION: Reading v Sudbury; Maidstone v London Welsh; Worthing v St Ives; Old Reigatians v Exeter; Lydney v Camborne.

Each half has one match which looks significantly difficult: Lydney, the hard-working Forest of Dean club, play **Camborne**, whose aggressive forward play certainly disconcerted London Welsh in the cup last season. In the northern half local rivalry will come into play when Fylde entertain **Liverpool/St Helens**, who have made such an encouraging start to their first season of amalgamation.

London Welsh, finalists two seasons ago, travel to Maidstone with whom they have long had the friendliest of relationships. Players from the Welsh have frequently taken time to help coaching at Maidstone, the first month of whose season included games against Blackheath and Harlequins, neither of whom took victory very easily.

Maidstone's stand sits something in the region of 100 people and the Welsh were quick to offer to occupy all seats. It might have been fitting if the Welsh had been drawn to play **Reading**, for whom Clive Rees, their captain, now plays. But Rees and his new colleagues must content themselves with a home game against **Sudbury**, pride of the Eastern Counties.

Solihull, whose 10-9 victory over Stourbridge failed to appear in these columns yesterday, count the mixed blessings of a trip to **West Hartlepool**. Solihull too left victory over their Midland rivals late, Houlton kicking the winning penalty in the last quarter. All the second-round games will be played on October 25.

High price

John Fieldhouse, the Great Britain forward chosen as man of the series against New Zealand last season, has been transfer-listed by Widnes at a club record £75,000 at his own request. Fieldhouse, in line to play against the touring Australians next month, has made repeated pleas for a move in recent weeks.

Crowds and locks are thin on ground

By David Hands

The crowd of some 15,000 who watched a Scotland XV defeat the Japanese at Murrayfield on Saturday is some indication of what England may expect when the touring side play their final match at Twickenham on October 11. The numbers were somewhat disappointing for the Scottish Rugby Union, even though the price of tickets had been reduced, since they had 19,000 for Scotland's most recent match with Romania and 17,000 for the game against Fiji.

The lower total is partially accounted for by the game coming so early in the season, when other pursuits occupy the mind, and by the Glasgow holiday weekend. Nevertheless, there is no doubt that some good performances in the English half of their tour, which begins tomorrow against Leicestershire, will help Japan's cause.

The England XV which will play at Twickenham will be announced today, following Sunday's squad training at Solihull and the meeting of the selectors at Nottingham yesterday. Once again the players worked hard under the direction of Tom McNab, their conditioning coach, at Solihull with the backs in general impressing with their increased athleticism.

Among the absentees was Nigel Redman, the Bath lock, who suffered a gastric complaint over the weekend and missed his club's first defeat of the season, against Llanelli. Indeed there was a general shortage of locks since Dooley was required for police duty in Blackpool and Colclough is still concentrating on his business interests in Cornwall.

Simon Halliday, the Bath centre who left the field with a gashed heel against Llanelli, also missed training. He had three stitches inserted in the wound and will wait to see how it is mending before deciding whether to make himself available for his club on Saturday.

Three of the four home unions have agreed on the ball they will be using in this season's internationals. England, Scotland and Ireland have opted for the 'Gilbert Barbarian' which certainly won the approval of Iwan Tukalo on Saturday. The Selkirk wing scored four tries against Japan and confirmed afterwards how well the ball had handled.

Evans plays again for Barbarians

By David Hands

Ieuan Evans, the Llanelli and Wales B wing, has summoned up his nerve and accepted another invitation to play for the Barbarians, in their game against Newport next Tuesday at Rodney Parade. In his last two appearances for the Barbarians, Evans has suffered injuries which have contrived to wreck his representative season.

He will play at centre on this occasion in partnership with Scott Hastings, one of four new Barbarians all of whom are Scottish: the others are Sole, the Bath prop, and the two back-row men, Beattie and Calder.

In view of England's commitments later in the week against Japan, their representation is limited to two players neither of whom are in the England squad: Simon Smith, the Wasps wing, and Harding, Bristol's scrum half. It will be another opportunity for Smith, capped nine times in 1985 and 1986, to press his claims for restoration to England's right wing.

The Barbarians have not made any firm commitment yet to two invitations later in the season: the New Zealand Barbarians, who visit Britain next March, are keen to play them and the organizers of the Cathay Pacific/Hong Kong Bank sevens have invited them to their tournament at much the same time.

Geoffrey Windsor-Lewis, the Barbarians secretary, would enjoy taking another side to Hong Kong (where his team won in 1981)

BARBARIANS: P Thorburn (Neath and Wales); S Smith (Wasps and England), S Hastings (Watsonians and Scotland), I Evans (Llanelli), A Emyr (Swansea), J Davies (Neath and Wales), R Harding (Bristol and England); D Sole (Bath and Scotland), H Harbison (Bective Rangers and Ireland), D Fitzgerald (Lansdowne and Ireland), F Calder (Stewart's Melville FP and Scotland), J Campbell-Lamerton (London Scottish and Scotland), W Anderson (Dungannon and Ireland), G Roberts (Cardiff and Wales), J Beattie (Glasgow Academicals and Scotland).

Yorkshire travel to Ravenhill, Belfast on Saturday for their encounter against Ulster devoid of international talent with the possible exception of Peter Winterbottom (George Ace writes).

The wing forward's place will be taken by Richard Selkirk, his Headingley colleague, if he is required by England against Japan.

YORKSHIRE: J Whisker (Gosforth); R Widdipp (Halifax), J Bentley (Otley), S Tamend (Wakefield), C Harris (Wakefield); P Grey (Roundhay), G Irvin (Harrogate); M Whitcombe (Bedford), P Sellar (Hull and E Riding), T Rice (Hull and E Riding), P Winterbottom (Headingley), D Baldwin (Wakefield), A Frazer (Headingley), P Buckton (Orrell), C Marshall (Wakefield).

BOWLS

A chance for youth

By Gordon Allan

Bowls is a young man's game. Twelve years ago the English Bowling Association started the national under-25 singles championship. Next year they are launching an under-16 singles event.

Competitors must be under 16 before May 1, 1987 and belong to a club affiliated to the EBA. According to early estimates there could be an entry of between 200 and 300. The intention is to organize the competition regionally down to the last 32.

John Northcott, a past president of the EBA, is sponsoring the event and the semi-finals and final will be played on July 25 and 26 at Ilfracombe.

There were 88 players under 16 in the original entry of 902 for this year's under 25 championship.

FOOTBALL

Kendall's concern

Howard Kendall, the Everton manager, has taken one step forward and two steps back from his club's injury front and is now on the brink of being overwhelmed by the club's prolonged crisis. Naming the only 11 fit players left for tonight's second leg of the Screen Sport Super Cup final, which Liverpool lead 3-1, Kendall said: "We are down to the bare bones in terms of fit bodies."

His delight at Neil Pointon's successful comeback game in the Cental League at the weekend was more than tempered by the defender, Ian Marshall, hurting his groin playing for the reserves and Kevin Langley tweaking a hamstring in the defeat at Tottenham Hotspur on Saturday. Both are ruled out at Goodison today.

POOLS FORECAST by Paul Newman

Saturday October 4 unless stated

FIRST DIVISION
1 Chelsea v Charlton
1 Coventry v A Villa
1 Everton v Arsenal
X Man C v Leicester
1 Norwich v QPR
1 Nottm F v Man U
1 Sheffield W v Oxford
1 Soton v Newcastle
1 Tottenham v Luton
2 Watford v West Ham
2 Wimbledon v Liverpool

SECOND DIVISION
1 Birmingham v Barnsley
X Bradford v Sheffield U
1 Brighton v Stoke
1 C Palace v Millwall
X Huddersfld v Derby
X Hull v Ipswich
X Reading v Blackburn
X Shrewsbury v Grimsby
X Sunderlnd v Portsmth
X WBA v Oldham
Not on coupons: Plymouth v Leeds.

THIRD DIVISION
1 Blackpool v Walsall
X Bolton v Notts Co
1 Brentford v Newport
1 Bristol R v Chesterfld
2 Chester v Bristol C
2 Darlington v Bournemth
1 Doncaster v Carlisle
1 Gillingham v Bury
2 Port Vale v Fulham
1 York v Mansfield
Not on coupons: Rotherham v Middlesbrough; Swindon v Wigan (Sunday).

FOURTH DIVISION
2 Burnley v Preston
X Cardiff v Crewe
1 Hereford v Peterboro
1 Nthampton v Aldershot
1 Orient v Southend
2 Rochdale v Exeter
Not on coupons: Cambridge v Stockport (Friday); Colchester v Wrexham (Friday); Halifax v Swansea; Lincoln v Hartlepool (Sunday); Scunthorpe v Wolves (Sunday); Tranmere v Torquay (Friday).

MULTIPART LEAGUE
1 Bangor v Gainsboro
X Burton v Barrow
2 Hyde v Marine
1 Rhyl v Morecambe
1 Southport v Matlock

SCOTTISH PREMIER
1 Aberdeen v Motherwell
1 Celtic v St Mirren
2 Clydebank v Dundee
1 Dundee U v Falkirk
X Hamilton v Hibernian
X Hearts v Rangers

SCOTTISH FIRST
1 Airdrie v Q of Sth
1 Clyde v Morton
1 Dumbarton v Partick
2 Forfar v Dunfermline
1 Kilmarnock v E Fife
1 Montrose v Brechin

SCOTTISH SECOND
1 Albion v Berwick
1 Alloa v Queen's Pk
X Arbroath v E Stirling
2 Cowdnbth v Meadowbnk
Not on coupons: St Johnstone v Stranraer; Stenhousemuir v Raith; Stirling v Ayr

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): Bradford, Huddersfield, Hull, Reading, Shrewsbury, Sunderland, WBA, Bolton, Cardiff, Burton, Hearts, Arbroath.

BEST DRAWS: Reading, Sunderland, WBA, Burton, Hearts.

AWAYS: West Ham, Liverpool, Bristol City, Preston, Meadowbank.

HOMES: Sheffield Wednesday, Birmingham, Bristol Rovers, Gillingham, York, Hereford, Northampton, Bangor, Aberdeen, Celtic, Dundee United, Dumbarton.

FIXED ODDS: Homes: Sheffield Wednesday, Gillingham, York, Celtic, Dundee United. Aways: Liverpool, Bristol City, Fulham. Draws: Reading, Sunderland, WBA.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

MONTREAL: International marathon: Men: 1, A Mekonnen (Eth), 2hr 10min 30sec; 2, T Guta (Eth), 2:15.00; 3, O Moussa (Eth), 2:15.57; 4, D Kurtis (US), 2:16.27; 5, J Geimeert (Bel), 2:18.24; 6, H Seiko (Eth), 2:18.34; 7, G Kebede (Eth), 2:19.47; 8, K Lasecki (Pol), 2:20.25; 9, A D Romero (Can), 2:20.35; 10, M Dyon (Can), 2:21.41. Women: 1, E Rochefort (Can), 2:35.15; 2, N Casse (Can), 2:44.40; 3, C New (Can), 2:46.22.

BIRMINGHAM: IAC field events championship: Best performances: Javelin: M Robertson (Haringey), 74m. Long jump: K Hagger (Essex and Newham), 6.32m. Teams: Men: Shaftesbury Harriers, 20pts; 2, Wolverhampton, 25. Women: 1 Birchfield 9; 2, Croydon 13.

BARNSLEY: Kodak 10km: Men: 1, P O'Callaghen (Wolv and Bil) 29min 42sec; 2, Petr Klimes (London Ir) 29.55; 3, Pavel Klimes (London Ir) 29.58. Women: 1, A Hoddinot (Hounslow) 34.51; 2, L Evennington (Stret) 35.14; 3, L Irving (Edinburgh SH) 36.15.

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: National league: New York Mets 4, Pittsburgh 1; Philadelphia 5, Montreal 2; Houston 2, Atlanta 1; St Louis 4, Chicago Cubs 1. San Francisco 6, Los Angeles 5; Cincinnati 6, San Diego 3. American League: Boston 12, Toronto 3; New York Yankees 10, Detroit 2; Minnesota 6, Chicago White Sox 1; Milwaukee 10, Baltimore 2; Kansas City 6, Oakland 2; Texas 4, California 3; Cleveland 5, Seattle 4.

AMERICAN BASEBALL

	Won	Lst	Pct	GB
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
NY Mets	103	53	.660	–
Philadelphia	83	73	.532	20
St Louis	78	78	.500	25
Montreal	78	79	.490	26
Chicago Cubs	67	89	.429	36
Pittsburgh	62	94	.397	41
West Division				
Houston	91	65	.583	–
Cincinnati	82	74	.526	9
San Francisco	80	76	.513	11
Atlanta	71	84	.458	19½
Los Angeles	71	85	.455	20
San Diego	71	85	.455	20
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
Boston	93	61	.604	–
Toronto	85	71	.545	9
NY Yankees	84	71	.542	9½
Detroit	82	74	.526	12
Cleveland	80	76	.513	14
Milwaukee	73	82	.471	20½
Baltimore	72	84	.462	22
West Division				
California	90	65	.581	–
Texas	82	73	.529	8
Oakland	74	82	.474	16½
Kansas City	72	84	.462	18½
Chicago White Sox	68	87	.439	22
Seattle	67	89	.429	23½
Minnesota	66	89	.426	24

Pct = percentage. GB = Games behind

BASKETBALL

LISBON: European Champions Cup: Preliminary round, second leg: Benfica 87, Manchester United 78 (Manchester win 171-154 on agg).
PRUDENTIAL NATIONAL CUP, First Round: BPCC Rams Derby 87 Homespare Bolton and Bury 82 (aot); Swindon Rakers 81, Tower Hamlets 92; TF Group Cleveland 117, Ellesmere Port 86; Reg Vardy Sunderland 85, Oldham Celtics 93; Birmingham Bullets 97, Leicester Riders 101.
CARLSBERG NATIONAL LEAGUE, First division: Portsmouth FC 97, Team Polycell Kingston 108 (aot).

CYCLING

CANNES: Grand Prix des Nations (55 miles): 1, S Kelly (Ire) 2hr 04min 21sec; 2, L Fignon (Fr), 2:04:26; 3, J Bernard (Fr), 2:04.39; 4, C Mottet (Fr), 2:05:34; 5, T Rominger (Switz), 2:05:56. Super Prestige Pernod (After 28 of 30 races): 1, Kelly 780pts; 2, G LeMond (US), 660; 3, C Criquelion (Bel), 505.

FOOTBALL

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Aldenham 5, Kimbolton 0; Alleyn's, Dulwich 5, King Edward's, Witley 1, Ardingly 0, Eton 3; Charterhouse 3, Forest 2; Highgate 4, Westminster 2; Lancing 2, Chichester HS 0; St Edmund's, Canterbury 2, Harvey GS 6.
FA CUP: Second qualifying round replay: Wellingborough 1, Corinthian-Casuals 1.
VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Dulwich Hamlet v Kingstonian, postponed.

FELL RUNNING

SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP: 1, D McGonigle (Dundee H) 116pts; 2, Farningham 109; 3, A Curtis (Livingston) 89. *Veteran:* R Shields *(Clydesdale)* 84. *Woman:* A Curtis *(Livingston)* 32.

GOLF

WORLD RANKINGS: 1, G Norman (australia), 1157pts; 2, S Ballesteros (spain), 1040; 3, B Langer (west germany), 1009; 4, T Nakajima (Japan), 691; 5, M O'Meara (US), 689; 6, S Lyle (GB), 577; 7, H Sutton (US), 576; 8, L Wadkins (US), 559; 9, C Peete (US) and T Watson (US), 548. British placings: 25, H Clark, 345; 30, I Woosnam, 326; =32, S Torrance, 304; 34, N Faldo, 298.
ST PIERRE, CHEPSTOW: British Airways National team championship: Semi-finals: Burnham Beeches bt Gatton Manor 3-2; Stowmarket bt Kirnemuir Players 3-2. Final: Stowmarket bt Burnham Beeches 3-2 — (Stowmarket names first) P Buckle lost to M Knight, 1 hole; R Whisker bt S Hatcher 3 and 2; D Overton lost to F Postlewhaite, 1 hole; J Walker bt P Marshall 3 and 2; G Lambert bt W Cox 4 and 3.
ABILENE: Southwest Classic: (US unless stated): 275: M Calcavecchia, 68, 70, 66, 71. 278: T Byrum, 68, 74, 67, 69. 279: C Stadler, 72, 72, 72, 63; M Hatalsky, 68, 74, 71, 66; D A Weibring, 66, 76, 68, 69. 281: R Black, 69, 74, 69, 69. 282: J Maggert, 68, 73, 70, 71; 283: D Tewell, 69, 74, 69, 71; B Crenshaw, 73, 72, 71, 67; C Pavin, 70, 74, 69, 70. 284: D Pohl, 66, 80, 69, 69; M Pfeil, 72, 72, 69, 71; G Hallberg, 70, 77, 69, 68; P Azinger, 68, 70, 74, 72; B Eastwood, 68, 73, 71, 72.
BRAMHALL PARK: Foundation schools' league championship: Qualifying round: 1, North Cestrian GS, Altrincham, 237; 2, St Bede's Coll, Manchester, 240; 3, King's Sch, Macclesfield, 242. Best individual: C Casson (N Cestrian), 73.

HANDBALL

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS CUP: First round, first leg: Birkenhead 9, UF Stjarnan (Ice), 46. Second leg: Birkenhead 3, Stjarnan 36. Stjarnan win 82-12 on agg.
Midland league: Stafford Olympics 17 Leicester B 7.
EUROPEAN WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP CUP: First round, first leg: OSC Amsterdam 40 Wakefield Metros 15.

HOCKEY

BRUSSELS: European Cup Qualifying Tournament: Northern Ireland 6, Portugal 0 (Belgium and Northern Ireland qualify)

EDINBURGH: International Tournament: Scotland 2, Poland 1, Scotland 1, New Zealand 4.
WROCLAW, Poland: Women's tournament: Poland 2, Austria 0; Italy 2, Switzerland 0.
LAREN: International tournament: Netherlands 4, Argentina 0; Spain 2, Argentina 1; Netherlands 5, Spain 2

MOTOR CYCLING

HOCKENHEIM: World Championship Grand Prix: 80cc: 1, G Waibel (WG), Real, 27min 58.50sec. Final world championship standings: 1, J Martinez (Sp), 94pts. 125cc: 1, F Gresini (It), Garelli, 33:46.46. Final world championship standings: 1, Cadalora, 122. Sidecar class: 1, E Streuer/B Schnieders (Neth) LCR-Yamaha 31:50.37. British placing: 3, S Webster/T Hewitt (LCR-Yamaha), 31:54.62. Final world championship standings: 1, Streuer/Schnieders, 75. British placing: 3, Webster/Hewitt, 71.
JEREZ DE LA FRONTERA, Spain: World endurance championship: (238 laps): 1, P Igoa (Fr)/A Vieira (Fr); 2, J Garriga (Sp)/M Luchinelli (It), 1 lap behind; 3, H Moineau (Fr)/B Lebihau (Fr), 2 laps behind.

REAL TENNIS

PETWORTH: MCC bt Petworth 4-1 (MCC names first): J A Wilkinson bt R Pearce 6-4, 6-4; P B Allen lost to M Fairbarns 5-6, 6-2, 5-6; N S Cobb bt M Dowdall 3-6, 6-5, 6-5; R A Lawrence and B A Sharp bt M Baring and M Paterson 6-0, 6-2; R A Lawrence and J M Wiseman bt J Page and J Phelps 6-1, 6-4.
LEAMINGTON: MCC bt Leamington 4-1 (Leamington names first): B Barnes lost to C Dean 6-1, 1-6, 5-6; O Dixon lost to P G Hopkins 6-2, 3-6, 1-6; R Seymour-Mead bt D F MacDonald 6-5, 6-4; R Wigglesworth lost to B A Sharp 3-6, 6-5, 0-6; D Selby lost to S D M Strong 5-6, 4-6.

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Castleford 16, Featherstone 7; Halifax 13, Warrington 16; Hull KR 4, St Helens 38; Leigh 40, Oldham 12; Salford 12, Barrow 24; Wakefield 22, Bradford 32; Widnes 35, Leeds 10; Wigan 34, Hull 7.
SECOND DIVISION: Batley 26, Whitehaven 2; Blackpool Borough 16, Runcorn 19; Doncaster 18, Hunslet 22; Keighley 16, Carlisle 6; Mansfield Marksmen 32, Fulham 18; Rochdale Hornets 8, Swinton 19; Sheffield Eagles 31, Dewsbury 10; Workington 20, Huddersfield 22; York 16, Bramley 8.

RUGBY UNION

BARCLAYS BANK SCHOOLS INVITATION SEVENS: London Oratory 25, Heberdashers Aske's, Elstree 6.
SCHOOLS MATCHES: Abingdon 7, Berkhamsted 3; Arnold 15, Hutton 8; Ashville 16, Bernard Castle 9; Bablake 12, Worcester RGS 25. Birkenhead 45, Rydal 0; Bishop's Stortford 63, Wymondham 3; Bishop Vesey's 16, Loughborough 15; Blundell's 43, St Boniface, Plymouth 0; Bryanston 12, Sherborne 48; Caterham 24, King's, Rochester 6; Caterham 26, King's, Rochester 6; Chichester HS 15, Worth 38; Christ's Hospital 9, Tonbridge 17; Churcher's 12, Pierrepont 0; Clifton 30, Taunton 20; Colston's 7, Kingswood 11; Cranleigh 23, Brighton 12; Dartford GS 16, Chislehurst & Sidcup GS 14; Dean Close 20, King's, Gloucester 7; Desborough 15, Aylesbury GS 10; Downside 22, Cheltenham 13; Duke of York RMS 12, King's, Canterbury 8; Dulwich 20, Bedford 6; Eastbourne 7, Sevenoaks 10; Edinburgh Academy 20, St Aloysius 0; Ellesmere 26, Wrekin 0; Eltham 27, Judd 0; Epsom 28, Tiffin's 6; Gresham's 49, Culford 3; Harrow 34, St Edward's, Oxford 10; High Wycombe RGS 25, Emanuel 10; Felsted 10, Framlingham 10; Glenalmond 11, Hutcheson's 6; Harrogate GS 15, Otley GS 6; Hipperholme GS 0, Wirral GS 34; KCS Wimbledon 19, Hampton 18; Kelly 7, Tavistock 14; Kent College 14, Sir Roger Manwood's 4; King Edward's, Birmingham 56, Worksop 3; King's ... King William's, Isle of Man 26, Morecambe HS 4; King's, Worcester 13, King Henry VIII, Coventry 7; Latymer Upper 27, Enfield GS 8; Lord Wandsworth 26, St Bartholomew's, Newbury 8; Loretto 22, King's, Tynemouth 3; MagdalenCS Brackley 7, Ashbourne 29; Maidstone GS 14, Chatham House GS 6; Marling 16, Rednock 15; Millfield 47, Exeter Coll 7; Milton Abbey 34, King's, Bruton 4; Mill Hill 15, Haileybury 4; Monkton Combe 30, Dauntsey's 8; Monmouth 18, Bristol GS 0; Newcastle-under-Lyme 12, Ellesmere 7; Nottingham HS 6, Oakham 0; Pangbourne 4, Radley 30; Pates GS Cheltenham 52, Bournemouth 3; Perse 8, Bancroft's 7; Pocklington 0, QEGS Wakefield 24; Poole 16, Penryn 7; Princethorpe 0, North Leamington 24; Queen Mary's, Walsall 47, Highfield's, Matlock 4; Reigate GS 0, Trinity, Croydon 3; Richard Hale 14, Verulam 26; Richard Lander 40, Newquay 0; Rugby 3, Uppingham 3; Rossall 36, Denstone 0; St George's, Weybridge 6, Guildford RGS 9; St Lawrence School Ramsgate 8, cranbrook 20; Shebbear 3, Queen's, Taunton 20; Silcoates 28, Hymers 19; Solihull 40, Ratcliffe 6; Stamford 20, King's, Ely 3; St Bees 42, Keil (Scotland) 0; St Edmunds's, Ware 26, Oratory 4; St Columba's 10, St Alban's 10; St Dunstan's 22, Whitgift 13; St Ignatius 18, Cheshunt 23; St James's Academy, Blackheath 48, Aske's 7; St John's, Leatherhead 31, Hurstpierpoint 24; St Olave's 0, Colfe's 46; St Peter's, York 3, Leeds GS 12; Stowe 16, Eton 7; Sutton Valence 10, Skinners 12; Tonbridge 19, Christ's Hospital 7; Trent 26, Bromsgrove 3; Truro 48, Redruth 0; UCS 4, Haberdashers 16; Walkington HS 25, Portsmouth GS 11, Watford GS 15, King Elizabeth, Barnet 13, Welbeck 3, Oundle 0; Wellington, Berks 13, St Paul's 3; Wellington, Somerset 10, Plymouth Coll 9; Wells Cathedral 14, Bristol Cathedral 6; Windsor 0, John Fisher 22; Canford 16, Old Cantordians 10; City Freeman's 6, King Edward VI, Southampton 17; King's, Macclesfield 6, Lancaster RGS 9; Mount St Mary's 6, Stonyhurst 14; Newcastle RGS 3, Sedbergh 14; Sir William Borlase 4, Royal Latin 26, Stanbridge Earls 3, Clayesmore 16; Woodhouse Grove 11, Ruthin 8.

SHOOTING

BISLEY: English pistol championships: Free pistol: 1, P Leatherdale (Norwich) 556; 2, D Atrill (Kitto) 538; 3, M Loader (Deddington) 533. Rapid fire: 1, R Fillery (Croydon) 586; 2, A McGee (Fareham) 567; 3, J Woods (REME) 553. Standard pistol: 1, Loader 558; 2, A Orchel (BPC) 549; 3, D Ward (SEME) 544. Air pistol: 1, Leatherdale 577; 2, Atrill 573; 3, W B Smith (Camberley) 563.
BISLEY: London and Middlesex centennial meeting: Open grand agg: 1, M Brister (Humberts) 398/21/28; 2, J Pugsley (Devon) 398/21/27; 3, R L Mundy (Barkshire) 395. London Champs: N E Harvey 394. Middlesex Champs: A R Petman, 385. Centennial Prize: (20 shots at 1,000 yards): 1, L King (Colchester) 95; 2, D Taylor (Altcar) 94; 3, R H Nicholson (London) 94

SHOW JUMPING

LISBON: Nations' Cup: 1 West Germany, 8flts (M Henkel, Ducato, 4, 0; J Ernst, Prinz Charming, 0, 0; A Buchwaldt, Ricarda, 4, 0; F Mueller, Baroness, 4½, 4); 2, Spain, 12; 3, Portugal, 12; 4, Belgium, 16.

TENNIS

TULSA: Women's tournament: Singles final: L McNeil (US) bt B Herr (US), 6-0, 6-1. Doubles final: D van Rensburg (SA), and C Benjamin (US), bt S Parkhomenko and L Savchenko (USSR), 7-6, 7-5.
SAN DIEGO: Women's invitation tournament: Singles final: P Shriver (US) bt B Gadusek (US), 6-4, 4-6, 6-2. Doubles final: Shriver and L Smylie (Aus), bt S Rehe (US) and W Turnbull (Aus), 1-6, 6-3, 6-1

TRAMPOLINING

PERTH: International match: Soviet Union

BOXING

US impressed but not yet convinced by Honeyghan

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

The Americans were still shaking their heads yesterday morning over Lloyd Honeyghan's stunning defeat of the man they said was pound for pound the best fighter in any division in the world – Don Curry, of Forth Worth. There seemed to be a tendency to think that the Hurricane Honeyghan that hit Atlantic City on Saturday was a freak storm.

They have not yet been able to accept the Bermondsey boxer as a true undisputed world champion, worthy of a place next to Marvin Hagler, the only other undisputed world champion. Curry's business manager, Akhbar Muhammad, said: "Honeyghan is a good fighter but it is hard to measure how good when he was fighting the ghost of Don Curry." The former champion himself made no reference to his having to shed 21lb in three weeks but said he would never again try to make the welterweight limit and would be boxing at light-middle.

Irving Rudd, the publicity director of Top Rank Inc, who promoted the title bout, said yesterday from New York that Top Rank still had options on Honeyghan's next three defences but the champion had still had to prove his credibility, implying that Curry was not himself after taking off so much weight.

"We knew very little about Honeyghan before the fight and everyone tended to write him off though you can never write off a Mickey Duff fighter. But still it has all been so sudden and stunning that it has thrown all future matches into a cocked hat. We shall put up a couple of suggestions but it is up to Duff to approve. Rudd said that Top Rank were prepared to put the defences on in London or the United States.

Now that Honeyghan owns the World Boxing Association, World Boxing Council and International Boxing Federation titles, he can defend one or both or all three. But since the United States do not seem to have been bowled over by Honeyghan it is most likely that the next defence will be in London in December against Johnny Bumphus, the former world light-welterweight champion.

With Mickey Duff, the master of matchmaking, he is in good hands, but Honeyghan's main problem is to find an opponent that will generate interest and money quickly.

The only name to excite Americans and generate big money is the highly talented Mark Breland, the Olympic gold medal winner.

There have been reports of Colin Jones, of Wales, challenging Honeyghan but that match is unlikely to come off because Jones has not boxed for two years and is not in the rankings. Besides, Frank Warren, who promotes Jones, and Mickey Duff do not get on too well and Duff is unlikely to do Warren any favours by letting Jones stick one of those Gorseinon left hooks on Honeyghan just yet.

Whatever the ins and outs of promotional politics, Honeyghan's success has encouraged aspiring youngsters in Britain. Only yesterday George Collins, the unbeaten 19-year-old welterweight, was saying: "If Honeyghan can do it so can I. I aim to be world champion by the time I am 21." Collins has his first 10-rounder on October 9 at Fairfield Hall, Croydon where boxing returns after 18 years.

American winner of three LPGA grand slams leaves the men standing

Bradley tiptoes carefully towards her third million

Pat Bradley: severe concentration is the secret of her success

Pat Bradley is a careful person. She speaks carefully, plays golf carefully and is carefully amassing more money than any other woman has managed in a single season's golf.

The New Englander has won more money than Severiano Ballesteros has in Europe; more money than Bernhard Langer – who is plundering both the European and US tours; and more than Gary Player – whose winnings on the senior tour are coveted by many a pension fund.

Only Greg Norman, the Open champion, and Bob Tway, the US PGA champion, are sure of out-earning Miss Bradley and even they have to give best to her in one important respect – she has won three major titles this year, they have had to settle for one apiece.

Only the US Open – third in chronological line of the grand slam titles on the women's tour in America – proved immune to Miss Bradley's

Emotional strain of grand slam

doctrine of hard work, determination and perseverance. She finished fifth, a victim perhaps of what she calls the "media hype" surrounding a grand slam attempt.

Renowned for her intense concentration, she is nonetheless adamant: "There is no way you can close out the hype. When the grand slam is building, no-one will let you not think about it. The emotional strain is intense."

The week after winning her second major of the season – the Ladies' PGA championship, which she had never won before – there was an unusual occurrence – Miss Bradley missed the cut. Miss Bradley does not miss cuts. Her consistency is legendary. In the nine years prior to this year's McDonald's championship she had packed her bags after 36 holes on only two occasions.

Her explanation for the aberration reveals how pressure affects even the most experienced and battle-hardened campaigners. She confesses: "I honestly did not realize how much winning the LPGA took out of me, emotionally and physically."

Miss Bradley describes herself as a shy, reserved and very emotional person. Learning to pursue what is a very public career in a very self-controlled sport cannot have been easy for her but she has succeeded to such an extent that she always seems to be in control, both on and off the golf course.

She has trained herself to keep a tight rein on her emotions while she is on tour and admits: "I am very, very serious – but even in just crossing the street I'm extremely serious in my actions. I think I'm very professional in what I do and that is important to me, to be professional at all times."

She responds politely but distantly to the casual cries of "How ya doin' Pat?" that are her lot in public. She has her own style – sincere, practised, unemotional – for sponsors and Press. The flat New England accent helps keep things low key – there is none of the relaxed Norman banter about her.

On the course, the barricades stay manned. She says little to her partners, a bit more to Jerry Woodard, her caddie – a friend and confidant for the last four years. She pulls the white visor down over her eyes, chews solidly on her piece of gum – only one per five hour round – and puffs at the odd cigarette.

A professional is at work. Do not disturb.

Miss Bradley's guard stays up because as she says: "I'm here for business." And pretty lucrative business it is, too. She has earned nearly $500,000 so far this season and in the process became the first woman to earn more than $2 million on the tour.

Ironically, she went over the mark with one of her poorer performances of the season, picking up the necessary small change – just over $3,000 – by tying 11th in the Chrysler Plymouth Classic in May. She is now hurrying towards $3 million, having won five titles so far this season. That takes her career total to 21, including six majors.

From 1978 Miss Bradley has always earned over $100,000 a season. In 1983 – when she won four tournaments – she picked up nearly $250,000 in prize money and more amazingly did the same the next year – without winning a single tournament.

Her consistency is a byword on the tour and has been for the last ten years. Only once in that period has she finished outside the top eight at the end of the season – in 1982 she was eleventh on the money list.

That was a very quiet year in her home town of Westford. Miss Bradley's parents spent the golf season rocking silently on the back porch and the neighbours on Main Street did not need their ear plugs. Tradition has it that every time Pat wins, her parents ring a bell to let everyone know all's well. All was not so good in 1982 and 1984 was lucrative but quiet.

Characteristically, Miss Bradley says: "My consistency derives from a lot of hard work, determination, perseverance and a desire to do the best I can

Like many golfers Miss Bradley has her superstitions – she swears by white tees and will not use a No 4 ball. But she is fond of the colour red. "Red is a power colour," she says. During the last major of the season – the DuMaurier Classic in Toronto – Miss Bradley started one round wearing a red sweater. It was a hot, muggy day but she eagled the first hole, birdied the third and fourth and admitted afterwards: "It could have reached 100 out there, but my jersey wasn't coming off."

Her superstitions may earn her the odd birdie but their most important function is to keep her in the right frame of mind and it is that – her legendary ability to concentrate on the job in hand – that earns her the millions.

She is second to none when it comes to the art of concentration and puts it down mainly to learning from experience: "Concentration is an interesting thing," she says. "You can't go to a store and buy it or go to a library and learn it. You have to develop it through experience, whether good or bad. "I've been on tour

Consistency is learning every day

for 13 years and hopefully I've been able to develop some consistency in keeping my mind on my game, on what I have to do, on what I need to do. Some days are better than others but I keep working on it. It's a learning process and I'm learning every day."

She claims consistency outweighs being the top money winner for a year but this year she has made it to No 1 for the first time and next year she will try and do it again. Only next year she will once more come up against the phenomenon that usually dominates the tour – Nancy Lopez who missed most of this season because she was having her second baby.

Next season she returns and Miss Bradley may have to settle for consistency again.

Patricia Davies

CRICKET

Rain drives Test into record book

From Richard Streeton, Delhi

A start was finally possible after tea yesterday on the fourth day of the rain-delayed second Test match here. Australia won the toss and scored 58 for the loss of Marsh in the 90 minutes of play. The pitch, endlessly rolled, resembled plasticine. Nothing untoward occurred nor is it expected to before the game is formally completed today.

It was another overcast, humid morning and four successive inspections tested the patience of any Job or his local equivalent, before the sun emerged in early afternoon. By then the square, though soft, was playable and nobody could find an excuse for not starting. As soon as Kapil Dev delivered the first ball, it resolved much speculation about whether the local association would collect £140,000 insurance money for an abandoned game.

A minor curiosity of the sort that could only happen in India arose before play started. The Indian Board of Control held their annual meeting and elections in Madras at the weekend. It meant that a different selection committee finally chose India's team from the one which named the 15 asked to be present.

Hanumant Singh has now succeeded Chandu Borde as chairman of selectors. To make way for Vengsarkar's return to the side, Hanumant and his helpers omitted the first-choice wicketkeeper, More. Pandit, his deputy in England last summer, who played as a batsman in the tied Test, keeps wicket. The Australians included Gilbert, another fast bowler, for Reid, who has a stomach upset.

Inevitably the match began in an unreal atmosphere, with the ground almost deserted. There were around 200 spectators huddled out of the sun under canvas roofing on the popular side. Otherwise the stands were empty and policemen outnumbered everyone else. Twenty-two overs were scheduled and India actually managed 23, with all three spinners being used.

Both Kapil and Sharma, helped by the humidity, swung the ball occasionally but neither they nor the slow bowlers got any help from the wicket. Marsh edged one four off Sharma and seldom looked completely at ease. After an hour Sharma, who had changed ends, had Marsh well taken right handed and low by the wicketkeeper when he edged a ball leaving him.

AUSTRALIA: First Innings

G R Marsh c Pandit b Sharma	11
D C Boon not out	37
D M Jones not out	3
Extras (lb 1, nb 2, w 4)	7
Total	58

*A R Border, G M Ritchie, G R J Matthews, S R Waugh, †T J Zoehrer, C J McDermott, R J Bright, D R Gilbert to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-34.

BOWLING (to date): Kapil Dev 7-2-16-0; Sharma 7-1-29-1; Shastri 4-1-6-0; Maninder 3-1-5-0; Yadav 2-1-1-0.

INDIA: K Srikkanth, S M Gavaskar, M Azharuddin, D B Vengsarkar, M Amarnath, R J Shastri, *Kapil Dev, †C SPandit, C Sharma, Maninder Singh, N S Yadav.

Boon cut and drove five fours and always looked far more confident. He was fortunate in the day's final over, though, when his fifth ball, against the left arm spinner Maninder Singh, was cut through Pandit's gloves.

All told it was hardly stirring stuff, but the occasion will have its own little niche in the history books. The delayed start totalling three days four hours was the longest for any Test. Since five-day Tests became the norm, only two previous matches have failed to start until the fourth day: England v Pakistan at Lord's in 1954 which began at 3.45 with nearly three hours left of the fourth day; and Australia v England at Sydney in 1954-55 which got underway at 2 pm.

Meanwhile, the chances of an extra Test match being included in a rejigged itinerary for the Australians receded a little yesterday when it was learned that there was no suitable flight home for the touring team if they deferred their departure for 24 hours. An announcement is to be made today.

Boon: looked confident

Somerset members to meet in November

Somerset members will thrash out the row over the dismissal of Viv Richards and Joel Garner at a special general meeting at Shepton Mallet on November 8.

The meeting will be held at The Showerings Pavilion, the Royal Bath and West Showground, at 2.15pm, after plans for a postal ballot were rejected by a group of members seeking a vote of no confidence in the committee.

Michael Hill, the club chairman, said yesterday: "We were extremely disappointed that the critics would not accept the result of a postal ballot or referendum on the issue. The club has received many letters and phone calls from members asking for this, and we felt it would be a much fairer way for all the members to register their opinion. Furthermore, the extra expense involved will probably be over £5,000."

A small group of members from both sides will shortly discuss the shape of the special meeting, and details will be sent to all full members in the next few days.

SWIMMING

Croft is set to return next month

By a Correspondent

June Croft, aged 23, Britain's No. 1 sprint swimmer until she retired from competition following the Los Angeles Olympics two years ago, looks certain to be returning to racing action at the Yorkshire Bank Open International Gala at Darlington, from October 31 to November 1.

In specially arranged official time trials during the weekend – the Lancashire Age Group championships at Horwich – Miss Croft swam creditable times of 27.7sec for 50 metres, on the way to 57.7sec for 100 metres freestyle. After a short rest, she was in the water again to swim 200 metres in 2min 05sec. Her 100 metres time would have won this year's National Short Course championship.

Miss Croft's trials times have been ratified by Dr Ian Gibbs, president of the Lancashire ASA, and submitted for consideration for her to fill one of the spare places during the GB versus US match at the Darlington Olympic pool over two days.

Miss Croft has been missing the excitement of competition since her retirement, and is now back in full training with two sessions a day, and says she wants to continue right through to the 1988 Olympics in Seoul. This is welcome news, because due to lack of top-class women freestyle sprinters available, Britain did not enter a team for the 4 x 100m relay at this summer's world championships in Madrid.

ATHLETICS

Poles stop Berlin going to the wall

From Michael Coleman, West Berlin

The Berlin marathon may lag behind those in Chicago and New York as far as cash incentives to the top runners are concerned, but whatever the outcome of the forthcoming races in the American cities, they will hardly be able to rival this one for its odd result and drama worthy of a championship.

The quality of Sunday's turnout showed that the magnet to Berlin is not as strong, but at least the day was saved by the Poles, who finished in five of the first 15 places and nine of the first 30.

The race director, Horst Milde, had scoured Europe for athletes capable of clocking 2 hr 10min or better in order to hoist Berlin's profile. The mass participation of 14,000 runners, of whom 1,000 were British, and its well-earned reputation as the "friendly one", was not enough to put Berlin into the top bracket however. This isolated, divided city celebrates its 750th anniversary next year and this together with its grandeur and the emotional impact of the route along which the marathon race progresses, has been fuelling dreams of making it The Race.

But air tickets, five-star hotels and generous prizes are not sufficient to draw the names these days: the vital question is now how much is "up front", how much will be actually on the table on arrival. The spirit that inspired the likes of Owens, Iso-Hollo, Lovelock, Son, Johnson and Whitlock, whose names are chiselled into the granite columns at the Olympic Stadium, now seems 50 years out of date.

To the Berliners' surprise, though, and eventual relief, the Poles sent over a golden hoard of runners who invaded the city, most of them penniless in Western cash terms. From among them, emerged the unknown Boguslaw Psujek, a 10,000 metre track runner until now.

Psujek's time of 2hr 11min 03sec, which beat the course best time of 2:11.43 set last year byJimmy Ashworth of Britain, earned him a Dm10,000 first prize plus an extra Dm5,000 for the record. In all, it came to about £5,000, which is a year's salary for him. The women's winner, Charlotte Teske of West Germany, also set a course record, of 2:32.10, forcing into second place last year's winner, Magda Ilands ofBelgium, whose 2:33.13 was a personal best.

The race was marred only by the fatal collapse 15 minutes from the line of a 2hr 50min Berliner who had run too ambitiously after recovering from a heart complaint. Although good ammunition for the anti-fit brigade, "he might just as easily have died watching TV" observed Dr Ron Kirkham, consultant anaesthetist and director of the intensive care unit at St James' Hospital, Dublin, who ran the race himself.

Title bout

Caracas (AP) - The Venezuelan, Israel Contreras, will challenge the world champion Kaosay Galaxi of Thailand for the junior bantamweight title in a bout scheduled for October 18 on the island of Curacao.

HOCKEY

England in selection dilemma

By Sydney Friskin

England can expect a testing match against Australia at Pickett's Lock today in preparation for the World Cup tournament starting at Willesden next Saturday.

Although injuries might tempt England not to field their strongest eleven, defeat would not do the team's morale much good. Stephen Batchelor did not play for England against Canada on Sunday and Clift went off in the second half anxious not to aggravate an earlier groin injury.

Australia have banked on experience in selecting their squad. Charlesworth, who has led them in more than 100 international matches, has himself been plagued by injury in the past two years; but they look strong in all departments.

England will need to change their tactics because their opponents thrive on their midfield creative ability. Against Canada, England attacked mainly from quick breaks along the flanks which though effective seem unlikely to pay rich dividends against the experience of Australia.

The match could resolve itself into a battle of short corner experts. The system has been working well for England with Leman doing the stopping and Barber the striking.

The Netherlands, who are in England's World Cup group, won a three nations tournament at Laren on Sunday, playing host to Argentina and Spain. The Soviet Union, who had agreed to play, changed their minds on realizing that their opening World Cup match on Saturday is against the Dutch.

ASIAN GAMES

South Koreans lay reputations bare

Seoul (Reuter) – South Korea continued to be masterful hosts of the Asian Games yesterday as they upset the traditionally powerful nations of Pakistan and China in hockey and badminton to win the gold medals.

Pakistan, the Olympic champions, who had failed to win the men's hockey title just once in the last seven Asian Games, were unable to withstand the aggressive barrage of the South Koreans on their normally water-tight defence and went down 2-1 as Han Jong-Ryul scored the decisive goal. India took the bronze medal with a 4-1 victory over Malaysia.

Just how well the South Koreans are preparing themselves for the 1988 Olympics, which they are to host, was evident in the badminton hall as they stunned the Chinese, holders of the Thomas Cup, by carrying off the team gold medal after a 3-0 white-wash

China's players stormed off court after the defeat. The Chinese claimed the line calls favoured the Koreans and the medal ceremony was delayed by 90 minutes until Games officials over-ruled their complaints. Indonesia and India both received bronze medals, but at least China had some compensation when they white-washed Japan to win the women's event.

China also caused a major row in table tennis, where their players swept into all five individual finals. Xu Shaofa, the coach, stunned a 5,000 capacity crowd when he ordered Teng Yi and Dai Lili, his mixed doubles pair, to stop playing because he disagreed with Mohammed Amin, the Palestinian umpire. Games officials changed the umpire and the Chinese beat their South Korean opponents in straight sets.

That was only a minor setback for South Korea as their celebrations intensified when Kim Jin-ho produced the first world record of the Games – shooting 673 points in the 60m double archery event. Kim went two points clear of the world best set by Ivan Soldatova, of the Soviet Union, last year.

Hwang Woo-Won gave South Korea further success in the weightlifting as he hoisted an Asian record 360kg in the 100kg division. The former record of 355kg was also beaten by Gu Yining, of China, who lifted 357.5kg to win the silver medal.

China however took the first three gold medals in athletics – the 20km walk, the women's javelin and long jump, but failed in the only event to contain a world class line-up, the men's 10,000m. Masanari Shintaku, of Japan, won the gold medal after fighting off a strong challenge by Kim Jong-Yoon, of South Korea to win a Games record of 28min 26.74sec.

Athletics: Men: 10,000m: 1, M Shintaku (Japan), 28min 26.74sec, (Games rec). 20km walk: 1, S Xiaoguang (Chma), 1hr 25min 46sec, (Games rec). Women: Javelin: 1, Li Baolan (China), 59.42m. Long jump: 1, L Wenlen (China), 6.37m.
Fencing: Men: Team sabre: 1, China; 2, South Korea; 3, Japan. Women: 1, China; 2,South Korea; 3, Japan.
Bowling: Men's triples: 1, Japan (M Hirai, K Tagata, H Ishihara), 3,534. Women's triples: 1, Japan, (K Inatsu, K Yamaguchi, Y Ichibe), 3,364, (Games rec). Quims: 1, Philippines, 5,573 (Games rec).
Archery: Men: 60m doubles: 1, K Jin-ho (S Korea), 673 (World record). 90m: 1, T Matsushita (Japan), 586. Women: 70m: Ma Xiangjun (China), 628 (Asian rec).
Hockey: Men's final: South Korea 2, Pakistan 1. Third place play-off: Pakistan 4, Malaysia 1.
Badminton: Men's team final: South Korea 3, China 0. Women: China 5, Japan 0.

FOOTBALL

Real go to the top but not without a struggle

Real Madrid, the European Cup's oldest campaigners, will have to raise their game in tomorrow's first round second leg tie against Young Boys of Berne, after a disappointing 1-0 home win against lowly Real Sociadad in the Spanish League at the weekend.

Winners of the Cup six times, Real are 1-0 down to the Swiss champions after the first leg in Berne. But they have the consolation of knowing their opponents are also struggling to find their form. At home to Vevey at the weekend, Young Boys led 2-1 until five minutes before the end, when complacency gave the visitors the equalizer.

In the league, Real's victory took them one point above Barcelona, who extracted a 2-2 draw from their trip to Athletic Bilbao. Gary Lineker, the England forward, returned to form, scoring one goal and setting up the other. Meanwhile, Real Zaragoza, Spain's representatives in the Cup Winners' Cup, will go into their match against Roma with confidence boosted by their first away win of the season – a 2-1 victory against Real Murcia. Roma won the first leg 2-0.

Roma's warm-up for the game consisted of a drab 0-0 draw against Verona, one of four goalless draws in eight Italian first division games. Only seven goals were scored – one more than the record low – as the defences kept an iron grip on affairs. Juventus did no more than was necessary, a 1-0 away win at Empoli stretching their lead at the top of the league to two points.

The league champions have yet to concede a goal this season and are unlikely to break the habit in their European Cup match against Valur, of Iceland. Juventus won the first leg 7-0.

● ZURICH: The Swiss League's first and second divisions are to be reduced from 16 teams to 12 from next season (Reuter reports). The league's general assembly has accepted a proposal to reduce the size of the top two divisions in an attempt to increase gates.

OVERSEAS LEAGUE RESULTS

ARGENTINIAN: Independiente 0, Ferro Carril Oeste 0; River Plate 2, Instituto (Cordoba) 3; Deportivo Espanol 0, Newell's Old Boys 1; San Lorenzo de Almagro 2, Estudiantes de la Plata 0; Temperley 1, Racing (Cordoba) 1; Union 2, Deportivo Italiano 1; Argentanos Juniors 1, Boca Juniors 2; Gimnasia Esgrima la Plata 2, Velez Sarsfield 1; Rosari Central 2, Platense 1; Talleres (Cordoba) 3, Racing Club 1.

BELGIAN: Lokeren 1 FC Liege 1; Racing Jet 3 Antwerp 0; Mechelen 3 Waregem 1; Kortrijk 7, Berchem 0; Molenbeek 4, Ghent 0; Charleroi 0 Beveren 4; Club Bruges 2 Anderlecht 1; Beerschot 1, Cercle Bruges 0; Standard Liege 1 Seraing 1. Leading positions: 1, Club Bruges, 9pts; 2, Standard Liege, 8; 3, Beveren, 8.

BULGARIAN: Spartak Varna 2 Slavia 1; Vitosha 3 Beroe 2; Vratsa 3 Dimitrovgrad 1; Sliven 2 Lokomotiv Plovdiv 1; Trakia 5 Pirin 1; Akademik Sofia 2 Chernomorets 1; Spartak Pleven 1 Etur 1; Sredets 3 Lokomotiv Sofia 3. Leading positions: 1, Sredets, 10pts; 2, Slavia, 10, 3, Vitosha, 10.

CZECHOSLOVAK: ZVL Zilina 2, TJ Vitkovice 0; Banik Ostrava 3, Sigma Olomouc 0; DAC Dunajska Streda 1, Bohemians Prague 1; Dukla Prague 0, Rastica Nitra 1; RH Cheb 1, Dukla Banska Bystrica 1; Tatran Presov 0, Sparta Prague 1; Dynamo Ceske Budejovice 1, Skoda Plzen 0. Leading positions: 1, Sparta Prague, 12pts; 2, Bohemians Prague, 10; RH Cheb, 9.

DUTCH: Fortuna Sittard 0 VVV Venlo 0; Haarlem 0 Twente Enschede 3; GA Eagles Deventer 1 AZ 67 Alkmaar 1; PSV Eindhoven 0 Feyenoord Rotterdam 0; Excelsior Rotterdam 1 Den Bosch 2; Den Haag 2 PEC Zwolle 2; Roda JC Kerkrade 3 Groningen 2; Veendam 0 Ajax Amsterdam 1; Sparta Rotterdam 3 Utrecht 0. Leading positions: 1, Den Bosch, 15pts; Ajax, 14; PSV Eindhoven, 14.

GREEK: Apollon Athens 0 Kalamaria 1; Aris 0 PAOK 1; Verria 0 Panionios 0; Ethnikos 1 AEK 0; Iraklis 2 Yannina 0; Olympiakos 3 Larissa 0; OFI 3 Doxa 2; Diagoras 2 Panathinaikos 0. Leading positions: 1, PAOK, 7pts; 2, Olympiakos, 6; OFI 6.

HUNGARIAN: Honved Budapest 2, Bekescsaba 1; MSC Pecs 0, Vasas 0; Dozsa Ujpest 4, Zalaegerszeg 0; Siofok 0, Videoton 2; Eger 1, FTC 1; Diosgyoreros 2, Haladas 0; MTK VM 3, Tatabanya 1; Raba Eto 1, Debrecen 1. Leading positions: 1, Dozsa Ujpest, 11pts; 2, Szombathely, 11; Ferencvaros, 11; 3, Sparing, 8.

ITALIAN: Avellino 0 Napoli 0; Brescia 0 Fiorentina 0; Empoli 0 Juventus 1; Milan 2 Atalanta 1; Roma 0 Verona 0; Sampdoria 0 Como 1; Torino 0 Ascoli 2; Udinese 0 Internazionale 0. Leading positions: Juventus, 6pts; Ascoli, 4; Empoli, 4.

POLISH: Rich Chorzow 1, Lech Poznan 1; Stal Mielec 3, GKS Katowice 1; Pogon Szczecin 2, Polonia Bytom 0; Widzew Lodz 1, Legia Warszawa 1; Olimpia Poznan 2, Gornik Walbrzych 3; Gornik Zabrze 1, Zagleble Lubin 2; Slask Wroclaw 2, Lechia Gdansk 1; Motor Lublin 0, LKS Lodz 0. Leading positions: 1, Pogon Szczecin, 15pts; 2, Slask Wroclaw 13; Gornik Zabrze, 13.

PORTUGUESE: Belenenses 2 Sporting Lisbon 0; Academica 1 Porto 3; Portimonense 2 Braga 0; Benfica 3 Boavista 1; Chaves 3 Farense 2; Rio Ave 0 Maritimo 0; Salgueiros 2 Varzim 1; Guimaraes 1 Elvas 0. Leading positions: 1, Belenenses, 10pts; 2, Benfica, 10; Guimaraes, 10.

ROMANIAN: Steaua Bucharest 3 Jiul Petrosani 0; Corvinul Hunedoara 5 Flacara Morem 1; Victoria Bucharest 2 FCM Brasov 1; Chimia Rimnicu Vilcea 6 Gloria Buzau 1; SC Bacau 1 FC Olt 0; Petrolul Ploiesti 3 Rapid Bucharest 0; Universitatea Cluj Napoca 0 Dinamo Bucharest 0. Leading positions: 1, Steaua Bucharest, 15pts; 2, Dinamo Bucharest, 8; 3, Petrolul Ploiesti, 8.

SPANISH: Athletic Bilbao 2, Barcelona 2; Real Madrid 1, Real Sociedad 0; Cadiz 0, Atletico Madrid 1; Sabadell 1, Real Mallorca 3; Seville 2, Racing 0; Real Valladolid 1, Osasuna 1; Espanol 3, Real Betis 1; Real Murcia 1, Real Zaragoza 2; Las Palmas 3, Sporting 4. Leading positions: 1, Real Madrid, 10pts; 2, Barcelona, 9.

SWISS: Aarau 1, FC Zurich 1; Basle 1, Wettingen 1; Bellinzona 3, Lucerne 0; La Chaux-de-Fonds 0, Sion 3; Grasshopper Zurich 1, Neuchatel Xamax 0; Lausanne 2, St Gallen 0; Servette Geneva 5, Locarno 2; Young Boys Berne 2, Vevey 2. Leading positions: 1, Neuchatel Xamax, 13pts; Sion, 13; Grasshoppers, 12.

WEST GERMAN: Werder Bremen 1, Bayern Munich 1; Fortuna Dusseldorf 3, Schalke 4; Nuremberg 1, Bayer Uerdingen 1; Cologne 0, Stuttgart 0; Bochum 2, Eintracht Frankfurt 0; Borussia Moenchengladbach 2, Bayer Leverkusen 1; Hamburg 3, FC Hamburg 1; Kaiserslautern 3, Waldhof Mannheim 2; Borussia Dortmund 7, Bitju Wess Berlin 0. Leading positions: 1, Bayern Munich, 13pts; 2, Hamburg, 12; 3, Bayer Leverkusen, 11.

YUGOSLAV: Spartak Subotica 2, Radnicki Nis 1; Hajduk Split 0, Vardar 0; Velez Mostar 3, Sutjeska Nikgic 1; Sarajewo 2, Red Star Belgrade 1; Dinamo Vinkovci 1, Pristina 0; Partizan Belgrade 2, Osijek 0; Buducnost Titograd 2, Zeljeznicar Sarajevo 0; Sloboda Tuzla 1, Dinamo Zagreb 1; Celik Zenica 2, Rijeka 2. Leading positions: 1, Vardar, 13; 2, Dinamo Zagreb, 8; 3, Hajduk, 8.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wigán in readiness

St Helens supporters are being warned by Wigan officials to set off early for tomorrow's Lancashire Cup semi-final game at Central Park (Keith Macklin writes).

The kick-off for the game has been put back from 7.30 to 7.45 because a crowd of around 30,000 is expected, and roadworks are already reducing traffic to single line and causing massive congestion in Wigan town centre. The match is between two unbeaten sides, and record receipts for the competition of more than £62,000 are anticipated.

Six players with pretensions to kick goals for Great Britain in the forthcoming series against Australia today attend the first-ever "kicking clinic" organized by the League at Carnegie College, Leeds. They are Bob Beardmore, Deryck Fox, Andy Gregory, Joe Lydon, Lee Crooks and Shaun Edwards.

CINEMAS

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CHELSEA CINEMA 351 3742
Dennis Arrandi's THE DECLINE OF THE AMERICAN EMPIRE (18) Film at 2.15 4.20 6.30 8.45.

GATE CINEMA Notting Hill Gate 727 3043 Bennet's BETTY BLUE (18) 2.00 not Sun). 4.15, 8.35. H 55. All seats bookable.

LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE 930 5252 (Emp) 930 7015 (24 hr Access) Visa/AmEx Book now "PX" MURDER BY ILLUSION (15) Sep progs Daily 12.45 3.25 6.05 8.45. All progs bookable in advance.

LUXEMBURG CINEMA 379 3014/ 836 0691 ROSA LUXEMBURG (PG) Film at 1.00 3.30 6.00 H 36

MINEMA KNIGHTSBRIDGE 235 4225 HANNAH AND HER SISTERS (15) Daily 3.0 6.0 7.30 9.0. Late Shows Fri & Sat 11.15 PM

ODEON, HAYMARKET 0839 7097 MONA LISA (18) Sep progs Daily 2.15 6.00 8.40. All seats bookable in advance. Access and Visa telephone bookings welcome

SCREEN ON ISLINGTON GREEN 226 3520 (18) TROUBLE IN MIND (15) 2.0 4.10 6.20 8.50. Tickets bookable

ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE (930 6111) Info 839 4259 ALIENS (18) Sep progs doors open Daily 1.00 4.15 7.35 All progs bookable in adv Access Cards Cent Res Line (379 6233) 839 1929 24 hour ser Mon-Sat 9.30 am-6.30 pm Sun Mondays all perfs

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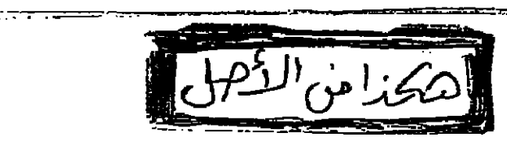

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Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

BBC 1

6.00 **Ceefax AM.** News headlines, weather, travel and sports bulletins.
6.50 **Breakfast Time** with Frank Bough and Sally Magnusson in London and Jeremy Paxman in Blackpool for the Labour Party Conference. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37.
9.05 **Labour Party Conference** 1986 from Blackpool.
10.30 **Play School**, presented by Ben Thomas with guest, Carol Chell. (r)
10.50 **Labour Party Conference** 1986. Further coverage of the debates in Blackpool **12.30** approximately **Ceefax.**
1.00 **News After Noon** with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale, includes news headlines with subtitles **1.25** Regional news. The weather details come from Bill Giles **1.30** **Bagpuss.** A See-Saw programme for the very young. (r) **1.45** **Ceefax.**
2.00 **Labour Party Conference** 1986. This afternoon's session includes Neil Kinnock's keynote speech to the Conference **3.52** Regional news.
3.55 **Jimbo and the Jet Set.** (r) **4.00** **The Chucklehounds.** (r) **4.05** **Captain Caveman.** (r) **4.20** **Beat the Teacher.** Paul Jones introduces another round of the teachers versus pupils quiz game **4.35** **Rentaghost** (r)
5.00 **John Craven's Newsround** **5.10** **Butterfly Island.** Drama serial set on a remote island off the Great Barrier Reef **5.35** **The Flintstones.** Cartoon series.
6.00 **News** with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.
6.35 **London Plus** presented by John Stapleton, Linda Mitchell and Caroline Righton.
7.00 **Telly Addicts.** The Woodards of Pontypool, winners for the past two weeks, are challenged by the McLauchlan family from Paisley. Introduced by Noel Edmonds.
7.30 **EastEnders.** Tom and Debs are holding the fort at The Queen Vic while the rest of the regulars are at the wedding; Dot receives an unexpected reaction to her unkind words; and Roly causes chaos. (Ceefax)
8.00 **Open All Hours.** Nurse Gladys and Granville hatch a plot to teach Arkwright a lesson about his rudeness to customers. (r) (Ceefax)
8.30 **Help!** Comedy series about three young unemployed Liverpudlians, this week panicking when Annie's Cafe is threatened with a compulsory purchase order. Starring Stephen McGann, David Albany and Jack Abraham. (Ceefax)
9.00 **News** with John Humphrys and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather.
9.30 **Big Deal.** Debby agrees to take part in a motor-bike race in a dockside area but has to raise the £500 entry money first. Starring Ray Brooks and Sharon Duce. (Ceefax)
10.20 **World-wide Concert for Refugees.** Part two. Luciano Pavarotti with the choirs of Pro Arte, Lausanne and Swiss Radio perform the Finale from Verdi's Nabucco. Among others taking part are Yehudi Menuhin, Isaac Stern, Anne-Sophie Mutter, Vladimir Ashkenazy, who accompanies Lynn Harrell in a movement from a Beethoven 'cello sonata, Narcisco Ypes and John Williams.
12.05 approximately **Weather.**

TV-AM

6.15 **Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Diamond and Adrian Brown. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial report at 6.35; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; exercises at 6.55 and 9.17; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; and Jeni Barnett's postbag at 8.35. The After Nine guests include David Hamilton.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 **Thames news headlines.**
9.30 **For Schools:** generating electricity **9.55** The need for rules **10.09** Firemen and a demonstration of fire-fighting equipment **10.26** The role of a member of parliament **10.48** A-level geography **11.10** A demonstration of changing pitch through melodies **11.27** Harvest time **11.44** Part one of Betsy Byers's drama, The Night Swimmers.
12.00 **Tickle on the Tum.** Village tales for children. (r) **12.10** **Rainbow.** Learning with puppets. (r) **12.30** **The Sullivans.** Drama serial about an Australian family during the Forties.
1.00 **News at One** **1.20** **Thames news.**
1.30 **Mr Palfrey of Westminster.** The investigator's assistant, Blair, is reluctant to bug the flat of a Ministry of Defence operative. Why? (r) (Oracle)
2.30 **Daytime.** Sarah Kennedy chairs a studio discussion on the problems faced by the 13½ million women who wear clothes size 16 and upwards. With Tom Vernon, Little Mo Moreland of the Roly-Polys, and Anne Robinson.
3.00 **Heirloom.** This week's edition of the antiques programme includes items on insurance and the country's most valuable chairs **3.25** **Thames news headlines** **3.30** **The Young Doctors.** Medical drama series set in a large Australian city hospital.
4.00 **Jamie and the Magic Torch.** (r) **4.10** **Road Runner.** Cartoon **4.20** **C.A.B.** Serial set in a junk shop owned by a Ma Mossop **4.45** **Splash.** The Minister for the Environment, William Waldegrave, answers questions on acid rain. There are also items on hairstyles and creepy creatures.
5.15 **Blockbusters.** Bob Holness presents another round of the general knowledge game for teenagers.
5.45 **News** **6.00** **Thames news.**
6.25 **Reporting London: One Year Later.** A live report from the Broadwater Farm Estate, one year after the riots caused by the death of Mrs Jarrett.
7.00 **Emmerdale Farm.** Joe Sugden makes a momentous decision about his future.
7.30 **George and Mildred.** With sleeping arrangements complicated by the arrival of his in-laws, George decides to trade his car for a caravan. (r)
8.00 **Yarwood's Royal Variety Show.** Comedy sketches from the man of many parts; and music from his guests, Elaine Paige, and The Nolans. (see Choice)
9.00 **First Among Equals.** Episode one of a ten-part adaptation of Jeffrey Archer's novel about four ambitious MPs who take their seats in the Commons in 1964. Starring Tom Wilkinson, James Faulkner, David Robb and Jeremy Child. (Oracle) (see Choice)
10.00 **News at Ten.** Weather followed by Thames news headlines.
10.30 **Snooker.** Quarterfinal action in the BCE International, introduced by Dickie Davies from Trentham Gardens, Stoke-on-Trent.
12.15 **Night Thoughts.**

The new MPs: First Among Equals, on ITV, 9.00pm

● "Going to the House of Commons, sir ?', asks the chauffeur of the brand-new Tory MP, bound for Westminster to be sworn in on the first day of term. "Further than that, I hope' comes the reply. Already, you see, the man has his beady eye on No 10. Whether he eventually crosses that awesome threshhold as resident and not visitor, or whether that crowning honour will fall to one of other three new boys on their way to the oath-taking ceremony in the first instalment of Jeffrey Archer's **FIRST AMONG EQUALS** (ITV, 9.00pm), remains to be seen. If only as an elaborate guessing game, then, Archer's political drama packs quite a punch. Having resisted the temptation to flick through the pages of the paperback editions of the novel that practically obliterate the other volumes on the

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booksellers' fiction shelves these days, I keep thinking of what happened to the lady who was born over her father's grocer's shop in Grantham, Lincs and have decided to put my money on the Labour chap who was born over his father's butcher's shop in Leeds, Yorks.

● In its own modest way, **YARWOOD'S ROYAL VARIETY SHOW** (ITV, 8.00pm) is as much about vaunting ambition as is Jeffrey Archer's yarn. Not content with going to the Palladium as the Prince of Wales, and then insinuating himself into the skin of Lord Delfont in the Royal Box, the impressionist also portrays every single entertainer on stage. One wonders why he didn't go the whole hog and pretend he was Elaine Paige and The Nolans, too. Such is the man's phenomenal talent that he would probably have got away with it.

● The night's other highlights include the two-part **WORLD-WIDE CONCERT** (BBC2, 8.30pm and BBC1, 10.20), with a line-up of celebrities that no single impresario could ever afford. It crosses the BBC channels at the half-way stage presumably so that *Newsnight* can accommodate the Kinnock speech in Blackpool (BBC2, 10.30)..I also recommend **IT'S BEAUTIFUL BUT..**(Radio 4,8.30) which shows how dangerously easily the instant judgment of young visitors to Britain can become the entrenched and inheritable wisdom of adulthood.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.55 **Open University:** Energy - Closing the Gap. Ends 7.20.
9.00 **Gharbar.** This week's edition includes an item about enjoying life when old. **9.25** **Ceefax.**
9.35 **Daytime on Two:** learning to ski in Austria **9.52** Using a model for a portrait of a fictitious character **10.15** A tale of a young girl who adopts a badger **10.38** Exploring the physics of pedal power **11.00** Ancient and modern methods of making paper **11.17** How the extraction of the raw materials for cement affects the landscape **11.40** Wondermaths.
11.57 Arithmetic progressions; and shuffles **12.18** Maths: rounding numbers up, and down **12.40** The second of five programmes exploring the role of the member of parliament **1.05** **Ceefax** **1.33** **Buddy**, part one of a five-episode drama serial starring Roger Daltrey **2.00** For four- and five-year olds. **2.15** **Ceefax.**
3.50 **Labour Party Conference 1986.**
5.05 **Ceefax.**
5.30 **News summary** with subtitles. Weather.
5.35 **Harold Lloyd*** Clips from the 1924 film, Hot Water, and the comedian's first two-reeler, made in 1919, Bumping Into Broadway. (r)
6.00 **No Limits.** Jenny Powell and Tony Baker are on the Isle of Man where they get a soaking sitting at the prow of a newly launched life-boat. Plus, the latest videos and pop music.
6.50 **Buddy.** Episode four of the five-part drama series starring Roger Daltrey. (r)
7.15 **Under Sail.** With the crew of the Tall Ship, Royalist, taking part in the Cutty Sark Tall Ships' race from Margate to Zeebrugge.
7.35 **Issues of Law.** Michael Molyneux explores the world of solicitors and barristers.
8.00 **Floyd on Food.** Keith Floyd tests his culinary skills on a captive audience - six French trawlermen holed up in Newlyn Harbour because of storms. (first shown on BBC South West)
8.30 **World-wide Concert for Refugees**, part one, introduced live from Geneva by Catherine Deneuve, Gina Lollobrigida, Peter Ustinov, and tonight's principal conductor, Lorin Maazel. Among the artists taking part in the first part are Kiri Te Kanawa, Krystian Zimerman, Itzhak Perlman, Sarah Brightman, and Jessye Norman. Part two is on BBC 1 at 10.20.
10.00 **Top Gear** includes a preview of the new BMW 7 series; and a report on used tyres that are dumped in this country from overseas countries where they are illegal.
10.30 **Newsnight** **11.25** **Weather.**
11.30 **Open University:** Public Sculpture - The Piazza Della Signoria. Ends at 12.00.

NB: programme times after the concert are approximate.

CHANNEL 4

2.30 **Conference Report.** Glyn Mathias introduces live coverage of Neil Kinnock's speech to the Labour Party Conference in Blackpool.
3.30 **Snooker.** Quarterfinal action from the BCE International at Trentham Gardens, Stoke-on-Trent. The commentators are John Pulman, Dennis Taylor, Rex Williams, Ray Edmonds and Mark Wildman.
5.00 **Bewitched.** Sorcery is brought into action when neighbours petition Samantha and Darrin to remove a decidedly sad weeping willow.
5.30 **Make It Pay.** In this week's programme in the series on hobbies that could be made profitable, Stephen Atkinson discusses decorative ironwork and pressed flowers. (r) (Oracle)
6.00 **Barry Setback and the Big Wide World.** Part one of a two-programme dramatized series designed to help those who have left home for the first time.
6.30 **Conference Report.** Glyn Mathias introduces highlights of the day's debates at Blackpool, and Mr Kinnock's keynote speech to the Labour Party Conference.
7.00 **Channel 4 News.**
7.50 **Comment** from Sophie Mills, a student from Oxford. **Weather.**
8.00 **Brookside.** Bobby reluctantly informs the management about Billy Preece's illness, expecting them to sack him, but is amazed to find that they are agreeable to his compromise suggestions; Harry's good news cuts no ice with his alienated neighbours; and Ruth and Heather go to the flat to find Charlie and Nick, who is in a desperate state.
8.30 **4 What It's Worth** presented by Penny Junor who has disturbing news about some hole-in-the-wall cash dispensers. They can be fraudulently manipulated with something as simple as a home computer; Bill Breckon investigates if British Rail are really getting there; and David Stafford discovers the best fire-control equipment.
9.00 **Film: The Ghost Breakers*** (1940) starring Bob Hope, Paulette Goddard, Paul Lukas and Anthony Quinn. Comedy horror about a radio columnist and an heiress who helps him escape from the attentions of the police by smuggling him on board a boat taking her to Cuba where she is to claim her inheritance - a haunted castle. Directed by George Marshall.
10.35 **Prince in Concert.** Paula Yates introduces a concert by the pop singer, Prince, recorded in June in Detroit.
11.40 **New Orleans Now.** The fourth and final part of the series tracing the origins of the legendary musical traditions of New Orleans. Ends at 12.40.

Radio 4

On long wave (s) Stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping. **6.00** News Briefing; Weather. **6.10** Farming. **6.25** Prayer (s)
6.30 Today, incl **6.30, 7.30, 8.30** News. **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Weather. **7.00, 8.00** News. **7.20** Letters. **7.25, 8.25** Sport. **7.45** Thought for the Day
8.43 Figures in a Bygone Landscape. Playwright Don Haworth's autobiography read by Stephen Thorne (7). **8.57** Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Tuesday Call: 01-580 4411. Phone-in.
10.00 News; From Our Own Correspondent. Life and politics abroad.
10.30 Morning Story: The Greenhouse, by Harry Barton. Reader: David Mahlowe.
10.45 Daily Service (New Every Morning, page 79) (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Thirty-Minute Theatre: Blow the Wind, by Bernard Edwards. With Gareth Thomas. The story of a planned race around Cape Horn in 1914 (s)
11.33 The Living World. Experts tackle questions from Rutland Natural History Society.
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer Advice.
12.27 Legal, Decent, Honest and Truthful. Comedy series set in an advertising agency, with Martin Jarvis and Christopher Godwin. **12.55** Weather; Travel
1.00 The World At One: News
1.40 The Archers. **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes an interview with the South African MP Helen Suzman, noted campaigner for civil rights.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play: Burning the Ballroom Down, by Colin MacDonald. Cast includes Jimmy Chisholm and Ann Louise Ross.
4.00 News
4.05 What's New in Architecture? Colin Amery reflects on the state of modern architecture with contributors including Richard Rogers, Nicholas Ridley and Norman St John-Stevas.
4.30 Kaleidoscope. Last night's edition, repeated.Includes comment on the new production of The Mikado at the Coliseum, and the Radio 4 drama production The Holy Experiment, adapted by Basil Ashmore from the play by Fritz Hochwalder(r)
5.00 PM. News magazine. **5.50** Shipping. **5.55** Weather
6.00 News; Financial Report
6.30 Top of the Form. General knowledge contest. First round (3). Wales versus the West (r)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 File on 4. Major issues at home and abroad.
8.00 Brainwaves. Education magazine presented by Margaret Percy, including reports on the education debates at the party conferences.
8.30 The Tuesday Feature: It's Beautiful, But . . . Young back-packing travellers talk about their first impressions of Europe.
9.00 In Touch. For people with a visual handicap.
9.30 Kane's Tales From Shakespeare. Vincent Kane finds some contemporary resonances in the story of Romeo and Juliet.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes comment on the film Top Gun, Jim Crace's book Continent, and Ask for the Moon , at the Hampstead Theatre Club.
10.15 A Book At Bedtime: Handley Cross, by R S Surtees (12). Read by John Franklyn-Robbins **10.29** Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Enterprise. Majorie Lofthouse visits another business featured in the 1986 Radio Times/Radio 4 Enterprise competition. The Flight Data Company.
12.00 News; Weather. **12.33** Shipping
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 11.00-12.00 For Schools. 1.55-3.00pm For Schools. 5.50-5.55 PM (Continued). 11.30-12.10am Open University: 11.30 Popular Culture 11.50 State and Society 12.303-1.10 Schools Night-time Broadcasting – Radio Geography: 12.30 Farming in Greece 12.50 Farming in Kenya

Radio 3

On medium wave and VHF/FM (in stereo).
6.55 Weather. **7.00** News
7.05 Concert. Boyce (Overture No 9), Handel (Suite No 2 in F major: Richter, piano), Martinu (Sinfonietta giocosa: with Jan Panenka, piano).. **8.00** News
8.05 Concert (contd): Milhaud (Scaramouche: Ovaldi and Lee, pianos), Granados (Valses poeticos: Julian Bream, guitar), Tchaikovsky (Serenade for Strings, Op 48). **9.00** News
9.05 This Week's Composer: Messiaen. Gillian Weir (organ)plays La verbe, Combat de la mort et de la vie. Also recordings of Poemes pour Mi, Book 2 (with Arseguet, soprano), and Quatuor pour la fin du temps (with the composer at the piano)
10.00 Weber: Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields (under Marriner). Symphony No 1
10.30 Dorian Wind Quintet: with Philip Martin (piano). Beethoven (Quintet in E flat for piano and wind). Elliott Carter (Wind Quintet), Poulenc (Sextet for piano and wind)
11.30 BBC Singers, with Roger Heath (baritone), John Alley (piano). Gardner (songs including Our captain calls all hands), Vaughan Wiliams (Five English folk songs), Malcolm Williamson (North Country songs), Warlock (One More River, etc)
12.10 Concert: BBC Scottish SO (under Hurst), with Lorraine McAslan (violin). Part one. Brahms (Tragic Overture), Mendelssohn (Violin Concerto in E minor). **1.00** News
1.05 Concert (contd): Dvorak (Symphony No 6)
1.50 Guitar encores: Sergio and Odair Assad play works by Astor Piazzolla, Hermeto Pascual , Villa-Lobos and Ginastera
2.15 Ravel, his pupils and his teacher: Ravel (Introduction and Allegro, with Calvet String Quartet), Vaughan Williams (On Wenlock Edge, with Martyn Hill,tenor), Delage (Quatre poemes hindous: Janet Baker, mezzo), Ravel (Piano Trio in A minor (Dumay/Lodeon,Collard)
3.45 Chicago SO (under Abbado), with Willard Elliot (bassoon). Webern (Six pieces for orchestra), Mozart (Bassoon Concerto in B flat, K 191), Mendelssohn (Symphony No 5). **4.50** News
4.55 Wagner's The Ring: the Welsh National Opera production of Siegfried, direct from the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. Sung in English. With Jeffrey Lawton in the title role, Anne Evans as Brunnhilde, and Phillip Joll as The Wanderer. Richard Armstrong conducts.
6.30 The Turkish Letters, by Ogier Ghiselin de Busbecq: second of three readings by Neville Jason
6.50 Siegfried: the second act
8.10 Let's Murder the Moonshine: Kenneth Griffith plays Marinetti in Catherine Itzin's feature about the Futuristic Theatre. Cast includes Angela Down. Contributors include Professor Katharine Worth (r)
9.05 Siegfried: the third act
10.45 Romances and Picaresques: the author Geoffrey Household talks to Colin McLaren
11.15 Joseph Silverstein: the violinist plays Brahms's Sonatas in A, Op 100 and in D minor, Op 108. With Andrew Wolf (piano). **11.57** News **12.00** Closedown

Radio 2

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF
News on the hour. Headlines **5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30.** Sports Desks **1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45** (mf only). **9.55. 4.00am** Charles Nove **5.30** Ray Moore **7.30** Derek Jameson with the miners of Oakdale Colliery, South Wales **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.00** Jimmy Young (incl medical questions answered) **1.05pm** David Jacobs **2.00** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** David Hamilton **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Moira Stuart Presents.BBC Radio Orchestra with Billy Butterfield (trumpet), vocalist Jeannie Lambe, the Serendipity Strings and the Iain Sutherland Orchestra **9.55** Sports Desk **10.00** Inman and Friends with John Inman, Jeffrey Holland, Sherrie Hewson and Ernie Wise
10.30 On The Air. Quiz covering over 60 years of radio **11.00** Round Midnight, with Joan Bakewell. **1.00am** Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music.

Radio 1

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF
News on the half-hour from **6.30am** until **8.30pm** then at **10.30** and **12.00** midnight
5.30am Adrian John **7.00** Mike Smith's Breakfast Show **9.30** Simon Bates **12.30pm** Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) **12.45** Simon Mayo (incl Top 40 singles) **3.00** Steve Wright **5.30** Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) **5.45** Bruno Brookes, incl at **6.30** new Top 40 singles **7.30** Janice Long with Mike Smith host Radio 1's 19th Birthday Party **10.00-12.00** John Peel. **VHF STEREOS RADIOS 1 & 2:- 4.00am** As Radio 2. **10.00pm** As Radio 1. **12.00-4.00** As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk **7.00** News **7.09** Twenty-Four Hours **7.30** John Bull's Other Islands **7.45** Network UK **8.00** News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** Training for Tomorrow **8.30** Aberdeen International Youth Festival **9.00** News **9.09** Review of the British Press **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Financial News **9.40** Look Ahead **9.45** What's New **10.00** News **10.01** Discovery **10.30** Manon **11.00** News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** Waveguide **11.25** A Letter From Scotland **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** The Domesday Book – 900 Years On **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** News **1.09** Twenty-Four Hours **1.30** Network UK **1.45** Recording of the Week **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Joan Sutherland **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** A Jolly Good Show **4.00** News **4.09** Commentary **4.15** Omnibus **4.45** World Today **5.00** News **5.09** Letter from Scotland **8.00** News **8.09** Twenty-Four Hours **8.30** Omnibus **9.00** News **9.01** International Gardeners **9.10** Book Choice **9.15** Concert Hall **10.00** News **10.09** The World Today **10.25** A Letter From Scotland **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** Folk in the Modern World **11.30** The Domesday Bok – 900 Years On **12.00** News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Omnibus **1.00** News **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Report on Religion **1.45** Country Style **2.00** News **2.09** Review of the British Press **2.15** English Miniatures **2.30** Marion **3.00** News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** The World Today **3.30** Discovery. **4.00** Newsdesk **4.30** International Gardeners. **4.40** Book Choice. **All times in GMT.**

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BBC1 WALES 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 International Sheepdog Trials 11.55-12.00 News and weather SCOTLAND 6.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland. NORTHERN IRELAND 5.35pm-5.40 Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster. 6.35-7.00 Now You're Talking 11.55-12.00 News and Weather ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines. SCOTLAND: 7.35pm-8.00 Glass 8.00-8.30 Prostaig. NORTHERN IRELAND: 7.35pm-8.00 Discovering animals.

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HTV WEST As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News 6.00 News 6.35-7.00 Crossroads 12.15am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 9.30am-12.00 Schools 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six.

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TSW As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Leave It to Mrs O'Brien 1.20-1.30 News 3.30-4.00 Sons and Daughters 5.15 Gus Honeybun 5.20-5.45 Crossroads 6.00 Today South West 6.25 Televiews 6.30 Tuesday View 7.00-7.30 Me and My Girl 12.15am Postscript, Closedown.

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SPORT

Luton backed by Croker in their row with League

By Clive White

Ted Croker, the secretary of the Football Association, has voiced, in a letter to John Smith, Luton Town's executive director, his complete support of the club's controversial decision not to allow visiting supporters to any of their matches at Kenilworth Road.

The Times learnt yesterday that Mr Croker wrote Mr Smith in July a personal letter in which he stated: "I am totally in favour of your membership scheme". This followed the ruling of the new Football League management committee in May that Luton allow visiting clubs in the Littlewoods Cup a share of the tickets.

Officially the FA have refused to offer a view on Luton's scheme other than to say that they were "flexible" with regard to the matter. They meet next Wednesday to decide on whether they will allow Luton to operate their ban in FA Cup ties. By then they will know the decision of the other 91 League chairmen who on Monday will hear Luton's "appeal" as put to them by the Luton chairman, David Evans.

Glen Kirton, the FA press officer, said yesterday: "The Football Association has refused yet to express an opinion. It applauds the motivation behind Luton's decision but it wishes to study the matter before expressing a view on the effectiveness or desirability of Luton's plan."

Last week the League's management committee voted to expel them from the Littlewoods Cup because their refusal to admit supporters of Cardiff City, the visiting club, in their second round tie, was contrary to the rules of the competition. Up to 25 per cent of tickets must be made available to each visiting club. Luton have said that if they are permitted to play in the competition this season under their conditions then selected away supporters will be admitted at Kenilworth Road for next year's competition.

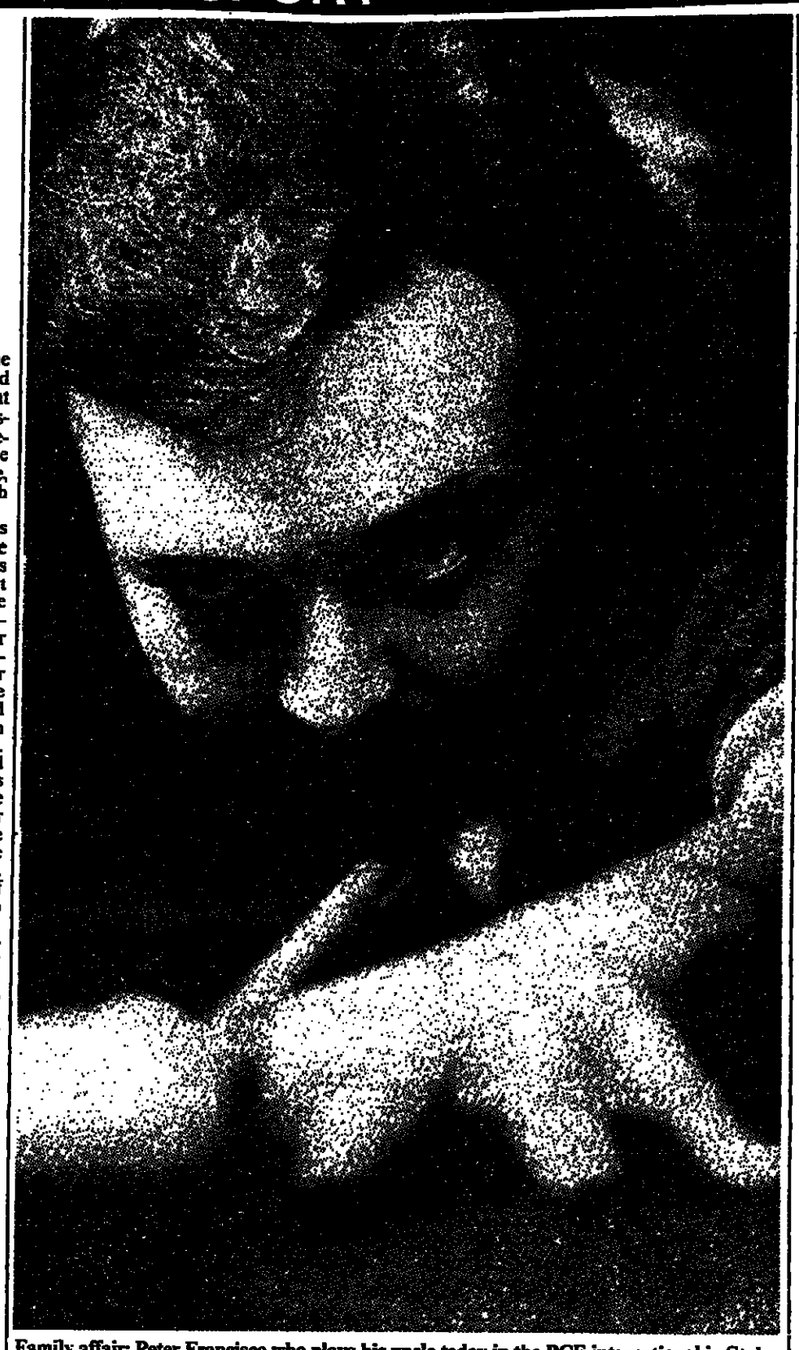
The FA have made favourable noises about Luton's revolutionary scheme and Mr Croker is believed to have reminded Luton only recently of his unofficial support. When Luton played Arsenal on September 13, Sir James Starritt, the FA's adviser on crowd control and a former police officer, attended the match as did Lionel Smart and Ernie Brown, the chairman and vice-chairman of the Challenge Cup Committee. The Department of the Environment, presumably at the instigation of the Prime Minister, also paid a visit and were believed to be suitably impressed.

The Government believe that the club have taken an imaginative stand against hooliganism and it was at the behest of Dick Tracey, the Minister for Sport, that Luton met the League management committee last Friday to see if another solution could be arrived at. It was then decided that the 92 chairmen should have the final say. Luton will announce their strategy for that meeting today and will almost certainly decide to write to each club putting their case.

Luton have pointed out that the old management committee announced on May 22 their decision to accede to Luton's wishes to ban visiting supporters in the Littlewoods Cup with the proviso that they pay the opposing club some compensation. "We would have been sympathetic to that idea," Mr Smith said yesterday. On May 23 that decision was overturned by the new management committee, of which, ironically, Mr Smith is a member.

Mr Smith said that his club's conflict with the League would not interfere with his position on the management committee. "Whatever the outcome on Monday my tenure on the committee is for two years and I'll be continuing. I feel I have a lot to offer and I want to be in there battling for football. It is sad there has been this hiccup with the management committee. We have put in a log of hard work over the past few months and a lot of things we have done will benefit football over the next few years. We have differences of view all the time, but that's democracy. It's just that in the case of Luton, I'm the only one who doesn't agree," he said.

Luton, who have been accused of political expediency and forcing their views upon others, are now anxious to move back from the spotlight for a few days and allow their opinions to sink in with the League chairmen. The presence at Luton of the Department of the Environment suggests that the matter could soon be taken out of the hands of the clubs. The Government is growing weary of football's hooligan problems and the apparent inability of the game's adminstrators to find a remedy. The Public Order Bill is going through Parliament and it could be amended to incorporate a ruling which enforced all clubs to ban visiting supporters.



Family affair: Peter Francisco who plays his uncle today in the BCE international in Stoke

How Cowdrey aims to keep bouncers down

Michael Colin Cowdrey was barely born when his father wrote from India to two friends in England asking them to put him down for MCC membership. Whether this was the inspiration behind giving him the famous initials is something Colin Cowdrey has never discovered. Yet they have been an apposite choice and never more so than now. Tomorrow he becomes president of Marylebone Cricket Club.

Cowdrey has high hopes for his year in office, hopes that include encouraging the development of facilities at Lord's, the game's headquarters, and restoring the balance between bat and ball, even if it means altering the composition of the ball to make it less bouncy (in effect making it softer) and drawing a line down the middle of the pitch to reduce intimidatory bowling. MCC, do not forget, still have responsibility for the laws of the game.

MCC bicentenary celebrations

Cowdrey, who works for Barclays International, begins his year in office at 8.30am with half an hour's real tennis at — inevitably — Lord's. He intends to get in shape. Presidency of MCC is an arduous task in any normal year, but next summer the club celebrates its bicentenary. No former cricketer is better known or more adept at public relations than Cowdrey. He knows, though, that now there is more to the presidency.

Many will look to MCC in their bicentenary year to uphold their role as guardians of the game. The Spring Ball on the ground itself, the dinners in the Long Room, the banquet at Guildhall on the eve of the special fixture in August between MCC and Rest of the World, the commemoration of MCC's first match, against Essex in 1787, are the celebrations of the game's most famous club. Yet the glitter will not obscure the contentious issues.

"No one can be happy with an arena the size of Lord's left empty for seven months of the year. Although meetings are held there every day and the cricket school is packed out until next spring, the ground is probably only full for six days of the year. That is disturbing," Cowdrey said.

"Our priority is to upgrade the ground so that by the year 2000 we will have brought Lord's up to date and to a high standard. The proudest thing we have done so far is to embark on a new Mound Stand, which would have been impossible without Paul Getty's £2m gift. I want to see Lord's retain its special atmosphere and be unspoilt," he said.

"We are looking at eve possibility of building at th Nursery End but the fact th the railway line goes unde neath does not make buildi a straightforward project.

"Our second task is maximise the independenc MCC. Although interna ally our influence may no quite what it was, other co tries value our judgment private club which still gu the laws of cricket.

"For 200 years we have b concerned with the bala between bat and ball. W Sir Donald Bradman strongly about introdu eight ball overs. MCC quick to give it a try. Now are concerned about s pitched bowling, how to the spinner back into the g and slow over-rates. We to see intimidatory bow arrested although tha probably not come abo fore the end of my yea office. We might have to the ball less lively or put a down the middle of the p And I deplore the dearth spin bowling because it less the variety of cricket," he s

"I would like to reach ou each MCC member and mind him to watch over th aspects in his local club school. One can see intim datory bowling appearing ev at those levels of cricket. O role is to gather and to refl thoughts from all cricket ing countries."

Unique role in the evolution of game

As president of MC Cowdrey will chair the annu meeting of the Internatio Cricket Conference. His ter of office at MCC expires ne October but it is possible th he will do a two year st chairing the ICC, unknow hitherto. It is widely felt tha cricketer rather than a p figure from industry or merce is required to cope the increasingly impor cricketing issues that crop MCC will continue to pro the ICC's chairman, secret and office.

"The ICC is often accu of having no teeth but that have its advantages owing the growing pressure of pol cal restraints," Cowdrey sa "The South African issue with us and, incidentally, the is no way MCC would conte plate sending an official c side to South Africa for time being.

"MCC has played a uni part in the evolution of crick Our independence could b increasingly valuable provided we can show su ficient wisdom and inspiratio in the years ahead."

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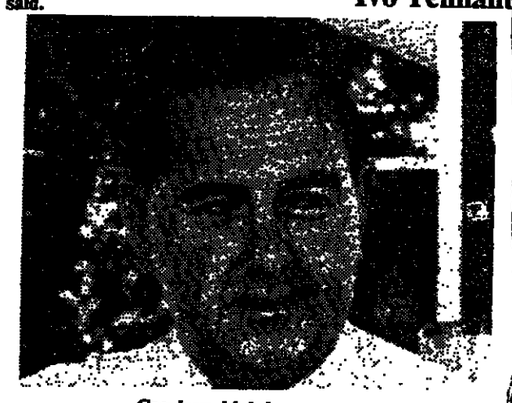

Cowdrey: high hopes

Scholar comes up with a scheme

Irving Scholar, the chairman of Tottenham Hotspur, yesterday offered Luton the chance of an alternative crowd experiment, when the clubs meet at White Hart Lane on Saturday. Luton operate a "no away fans" rule at Kenilworth Road, a situation which threatens their place in the Littlewoods Cup.

Scholar feels young supporters should be educated to stand side-by-side on the terraces and has written to David Evans, his opposite number at Luton, inviting all Junior Hatters (Luton's under-16 supporters club) and their families to watch Saturday's first division match from the Junior Spurs family area.

"While I admire Luton's stand against hooliganism, I believe if we are to solve this problem in the long term, it's vital that we educate younger supporters into being able to watch football alongside the opposing fans, in a friendly and convivial atmosphere," said Scholar.

"That's how it was when I first went to football 30 years ago and our offer is an alternative experiment to Luton's own 'home fans only' answer to the hooligan problem."

Spurs have one of the largest 'membership' schemes in the country, with 17,000 fans readily identifiable. Of these 4,000 are Junior Spurs, while Luton's under-16 members amount to 677.

Perryman back

Steve Perryman, the Oxford Utd captain, makes his return after a three-week absence through injury when his club visit Merthyr Tydfil, who have severe financial problems, for a friendly tonight.

Manager makes a free offer

Mick Jones, the manager of Halifax Town, yesterday offered his services free to the struggling fourth division club.

"I have told the board I am prepared to work without wages," Jones said. I have discussed the matter with my wife who is in agreement, although it will mean sacrifices and could not go on indefinitely.

"I hope the public will react by coming to matches and easing our financial position."

Halifax are bottom of the fourth division after losing six successive games and are the worst supported club in the Football League.

The Inland Revenue have warned that unless the club pay a £70,000 demand within six months they will be in danger of being closed down.

RUGBY UNION

Colclough delays his return

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

Maurice Colclough, England's senior forward throughout the last international season who took over the captaincy of his country during the match against France in March when Nigel Melville went off injured, will not be included in the England XV to play Japan which will be named today.

Colclough has not yet started the season with Swansea because of the demands his business interests are making upon him. Moreover, his wife is expecting their first child so his return to rugby will be somewhat delayed.

However he has indicated to Michael Weston, the chairman of selectors, that he wishes to be considered this season, both for the international championship which begins in January and for the world cup in Australasia. For his part Weston may be loathe to be without the vast experience which Colclough, now 33, may bring to his squad.

Colclough ended last season with 25 caps and two British Lions tours behind him and there was no doubting his commitment in all England's matches. His position was discussed by the England selectors when they met last night: they are not so well blessed for lock forwards that they can afford to discard him completely, even if they cannot consider him in the immediate future.

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Higgins may face further action

By a Special Correspondent

Alex Higgins, fined £2,000 last week by the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association for bringing the game into disrepute, may face further disciplinary action following an outburst in Glasgow ten days ago.

After losing 9-8 to Cliff Thorburn, the Canadian former world champion, in the final of the Langs Supreme Scottish Masters, Higgins alleged his opponent had taken drugs in the past without being penalized. At the after-match celebrations, the controversial Irishman is said to have complained that Kirk Stevens had been penalized for taking drugs, while Thorburn had been doing the same, but had gone free.

Robert Windsor, Thorburn's manager, said last night: "We have lodged a complaint with the WPBSA and intend to seek their guidance in the matter. During the last 21 months that I have been Cliff's manager, he has perhaps won more titles than any other player.

"He now lives here with his wife and two young sons and takes his life and his work very seriously. He is obviously very upset. I have also spoken to my solicitors regarding the possibility of private action."

Paul Hatherell, a spokesman for the WPBSA, said: "The letter of complaint has not yet been received, so we cannot put any wheels into action."

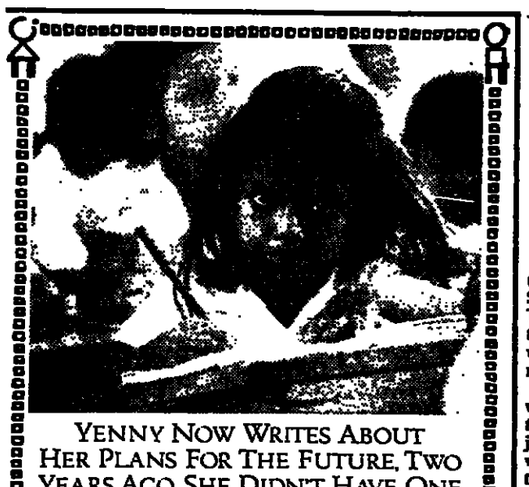
● Thorburn, meanwhile, meets Cliff Wilson this afternoon in the quarter-final of the BCE international at Stoke. Another former world champion, Dennis Taylor, suffered the indignity of a 5-0 defeat in the fifth round yesterday — only the second whitewash of his career.

He was beaten by Silvino Francisco, who tonight meets his nephew, Peter Francisco, for a place in the semi-finals. The South African said: "I am looking forward to the match. I've only met Peter once before and that was two months ago when I beat him 8-3 in the South African championship at Johannesburg. The game was closer than the scoreline suggests, with many frames being won on pink and black."

Taylor, a semi-finalist at Stoke last year and ranked No. 3 in the world, has shed at least half a stone during the summer months. He said: "I'm feeling better than for ages. It was an amazing game. I only missed a couple of shots and lost. I think the turning point was when I fouled on the brown in the first frame."

Festival harmony

An anti-row which threatened Gloucester's annual cricket festival has been resolved. The city council refused to allow the county club to advertise South African Airways at the Winget sports ground and the club, resolved not to give in to 'political interference', planned to look elsewhere for another ground. A solution was reached whereby the club promises not to use South African advertising while the council will increase sponsorship to make up for lost revenue. A council spokesman said the agreement was 'amicable'.



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RACING

Darara set to go in the Arc

By Michael Seely

Yves Saint-Martin is likely to seek his fifth victory in next Sunday's Prix de L'Arc de Triomphe, as the Aga Khan, the filly's owner, attempts to win the world's toughest flat race for the second time.

After partnering Darara in a work-out yesterday morning, the 15 times French champion jockey said, "She went really well, I would like to ride her in the Arc." Connections have until mid-day to decide whether to pay the F250,000 (about £25,000) late-entry fee as her name did not figure among the original entries. If Darara runs, the Aga Khan, Europe's most powerful owner-breeder will be represented by three horses, including Shahrastani and Shardari, who are both trained by Michael Stoute at Newmarket.

Walter Swinburn will decide later in the week whether to ride Shahrastani, the winner of the English and Irish Derbys or Shardari, the winner of the Matchmaker International at York. Greville Starkey will take whichever colt Swinburn rejects.

The going will play a key role. It was good at Saint-Cloud yesterday, the weather was fine in Paris and the forecast is also good. Speaking about Dancing Brave, Khaled Abdulla's winner of the 2,000 Guineas, Eclipse Stakes and King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, Geoff Lawson, Guy Harwood's brother-in-law said yesterday, "Unless the ground becomes heavy, Dancing Brave is a certain runner." Mid-day Friday will be D-day as far as the horse is concerned.

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ROWING

Sponsors complain

By Richard Burnell

Norwich Union Assurance, who sponsored the recent successful world championships, have complained they received poor value for their money. This announcement was deplored by the Amateur Rowing Association at their council meeting in London yesterday.

From a Press point of view, the Norwich Union's disappointment was no surprise, as their profile at Nottingham was so low as to be almost indiscernible.

The Council decided to introduce an individual racing licence for all oarsmen and women competing in regattas. The scheme, to replace the present regatta levy, is to become operational in April 1987. The licence is likely to be between £5 and £10 per competitor, according to their status.

The Council delayed a decision on the wider issue of individual membership of the Association until the 1987 budget is produced in November. But the one certainty is that they will either have to generate a great deal more money, or the sport, and, particularly its international activities, will founder.

OLYMPIC GAMES

A change in winter

Lausanne (Reuter) — The International Olympic Committee (IOC) are to discuss a proposed change in the four-yearly cycle of the winter Games, an IOC source said yesterday.

The summer and winter Olympics are normally held in the same year, but the source said a proposal that the winter Games be held two years after the summer Games would be considered by the IOC Executive Board.

Seoul and Calgary are scheduled to stage the next summer and winter Games respectively in 1988. C[illegible] didates for the 1992 games are to be selected by the IOC next month.

But delegates at a meeting of European National Olympic Committees in Budapest earlier this month proposed to Juan Antonio Samaranch, the IOC president, that the winter Olympics should be moved to their own four-yearly cycle, starting in 1994. The delegates said the proposal would increase the popularity of the Winter Games.

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